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Patient death leads to firing

Fire Department paramedic is let go after alleged missteps

By Jake Sheridan and Jeremy Gorner
Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Fire Department has fired a paramedic after an internal affairs investigation into the death of a Buena Park man determined the first responder did not attend to the patient and then allegedly submitted a false report after the patient's death.

Leonardo Guerrero, 44, was pronounced dead at Thorek Memorial Hospital in Uptown on Aug. 31, after he stopped breathing while strapped to a stretcher in an ambulance. Restraints applied by paramedics to Guerrero contributed to his cardiac arrest death, which was also affected by high blood pressure and primarily caused by cocaine and alcohol use, the Cook County medical examiner's office said. The office ruled the death a homicide.

Following the internal affairs investigation into his death, the Fire Department on Nov. 20 fired Dakota Ibrahim, the paramedic in charge of Guerrero's care. His fellow responding paramedic, Joseph Schultz, has been suspended from the Fire Department.

Both paramedics' state licenses were also suspended by the Illinois Department of Public Health, six months for Ibrahim and three months for Schultz. They will be able to work as paramedics in Illinois after completing their suspensions.

Guerrero's loved ones told the Tribune on Thursday night that they were surprised to learn the circumstances of his death after having "no idea" what had happened, and they called for harsher punishments beyond the suspensions given to the involved paramedics.

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10 killed in Calif. shooting

Suspected ballroom gunman ID'd, found dead in van, authorities say; motive remains unclear

By Andrew Dalton and Jae C. Hong
Associated Press

MONTEREY PARK, Calif. — The hunt for a gunman who killed 10 people at a Los Angeles-area ballroom dance club ended Sunday when authorities found him dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the van he used to flee after people thwarted his attempt at a second shooting.

Los Angeles County Sheriff Robert Luna identified the man as 72-year-old Huu Can Tran and said no other suspects were at large. He added that the motive remained unclear for the attack, which wounded 10 more.

Luna did not have the exact ages of the victims but said they all appeared to be over 50. Seven of the wounded people remained in the hospital, he said.

The weapon suspected to have been used was identified as a magazine-fed semi-automatic assault pistol, which was also found in the van.

"I still have questions in my mind, which is: What was the motive for this shooter? Did he have a mental illness? Was he a

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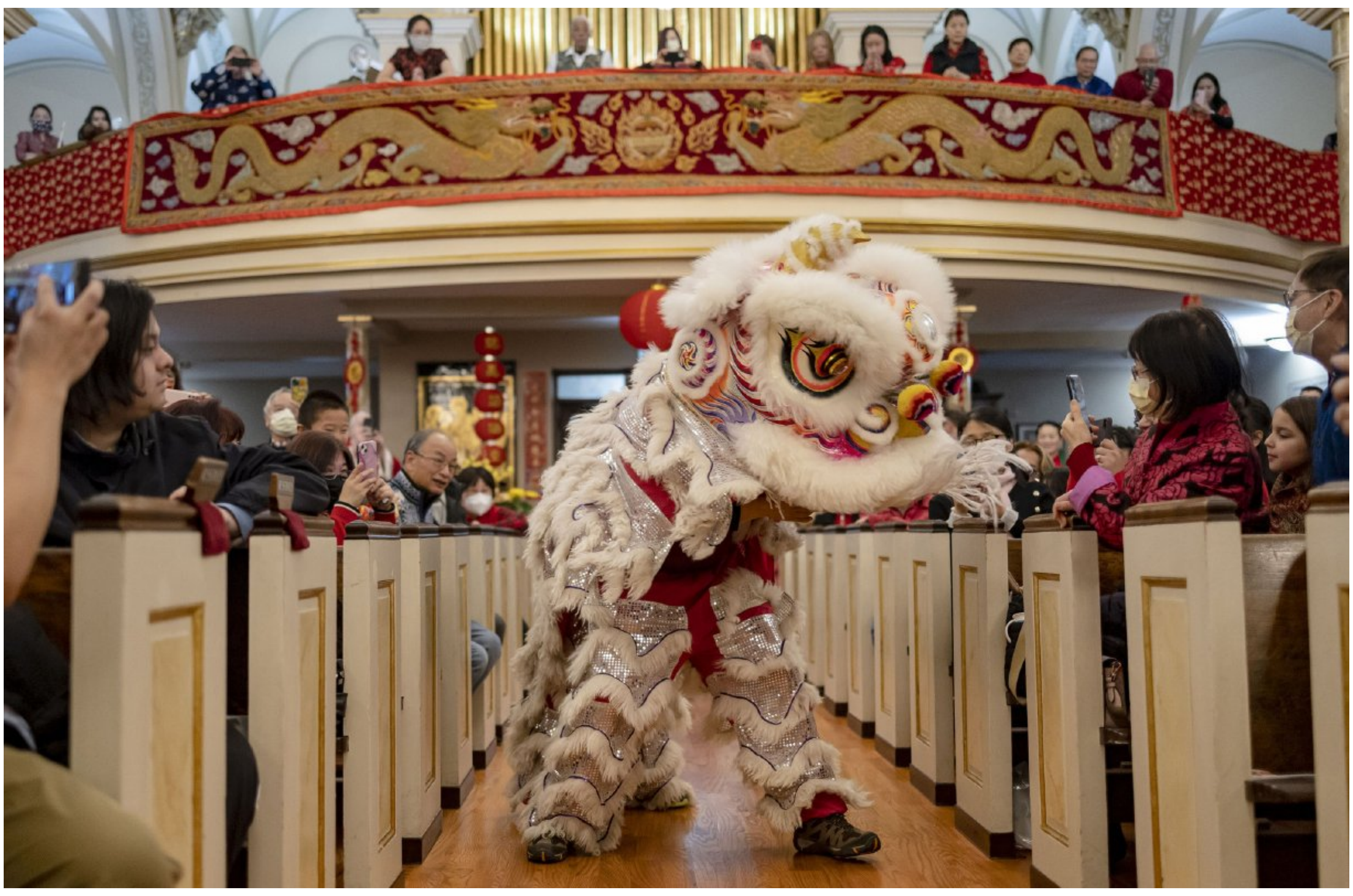
Two men place flowers near Star Dance Studio to honor victims killed in a shooting in Monterey Park, Calif., on Sunday. **JAE C. HONG/AP**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OPENING THE NEW YEAR

The congregation watches as a lion dance is performed to begin a Lunar New Year celebration Sunday before Mass at St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church in Chicago's Chinatown. Sunday marked the beginning of the Year of the Rabbit. The celebrations were marred by emerging news of a mass shooting at a Los Angeles-area Lunar New Year event. **Chicagoland, Page 3**

Radio personality Lin Brehmer in the WXRT studios on March 16, 2012. **E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

Radio with 'uncommon humanity'

Lin Brehmer, legendary WXRT DJ, dies at 68 after battle with cancer

By Rick Kogan
Chicago Tribune

Sunday morning came with snow, and with sorrow, in the form of the news of the death of Lin Brehmer, the hugely popular, buoyant and beloved host on Chicago radio's WXRT-FM 93.1.

The 68-year-old had previously spoken publicly about his treatment for prostate cancer. Sunday morning, fellow WXRT host and friend Terri Hemmert informed listeners of his death and said in part in a statement, "We must inform you that we all lost our best friend. Lin Brehmer fought cancer as long as he could. He passed early this morning, peacefully, with his wife (Sara) and son (Wilson) by his side."

Brehmer had been on the air here since 1991, as morning drive host until 2020, when he became a midday host.

He was born in August 1954 in New York and grew up in Queens. A graduate of Colgate University in upstate New York, he began his radio career at WQBK-FM in Albany (where he became known as "The Reverend of Rock 'n' Roll"), before arriving in Chicago to become music director at WXRT in 1984, helping define that station's personality.

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García referenced in federal conspiracy documents: Sources

Mayoral candidate not accused of wrongdoing, denies role in ComEd case involving Madigan

By Jason Meisner and Ray Long
Chicago Tribune

Mayoral challenger Jesús "Chuy" García is an unidentified member of Congress referenced in federal court filings detailing an alleged scheme by then-Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan to appoint one of García's political associates to a lucrative position on Commonwealth Edison's board of directors, the Tribune has learned.

García is not accused of wrongdoing, and through a spokesman, denies he played any role in the push by Madigan to appoint Juan Ochoa to the utility's board, which is one of the centerpiece allegations in the ComEd bribery conspiracy case set for trial in March.

But García's name surfacing — even superficially — in one of the biggest political corruption investigations in Illinois history could make waves in the upcoming city election, where García is running as a progressive and is widely considered to be the strongest challenger in a crowded field seeking to unseat Mayor Lori Lightfoot.

It also highlights a particularly thorny political problem for García, who has tried to distance himself from Madigan's old-school politics even though he'd formed a yearslong alliance with Madigan that helped

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Residents march to honor slain girl

Little Village residents and community activists gathered to remember 8-year-old Melissa Ortega. **Chicagoland, Page 3**

'Cabaret' is best show of 2023 so far

The Porchlight Music Theatre production is a fresh take with a knockout Sally Bowles, Chris Jones writes. **Arts & Living**

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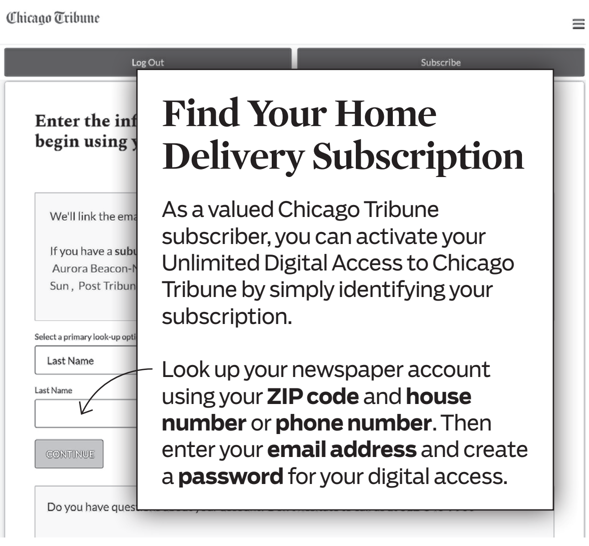

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"You can't believe it happened, and then you go into anger, and then you go into being hurt because you will never see your brother again," his sister Sylvia Guerrero Tanguma said.

Ibrahim's attorney, Patrick Walsh, disputed parts of the Fire Department's characterization of what happened and said the 30-year-old paramedic should be allowed to work again.

"There was nothing that Dakota did or did not do that caused Mr. Guerrero's death," Walsh said.

The news of the firing, uncovered by a series of Tribune information requests, comes days after two Sangamon County paramedics were charged with first-degree murder in the death of a patient. That patient, 35-year-old Earl Moore of Springfield, died of asphyxia after being strapped face down to a stretcher, the autopsy report said. Under Illinois law, a first-degree murder charge can be filed when a defendant "knows that such acts create a strong probability of death or great bodily harm."

In Guerrero's case, no criminal charges have been filed against either of the paramedics who transported him, and police were unable to share any details because it is an open death investigation. Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx's office said it did not have any information to share regarding his death.

According to police and Fire Department records, police called for paramedics on Aug. 31 after discovering Guerrero lying naked in a parking lot near his home in the Buena Park neighborhood. He appeared to be on drugs and hallucinating, officers wrote in a police report. Guerrero tested positive for cocaine and alcohol during his autopsy.

Guerrero told police he was dying and that he didn't want to die, and he "could be clearly seen as suffering from some form of respiratory crisis," according to the Fire Department's internal affairs report.

The paramedics' missteps started when they got out of their ambulance with no equipment, the report says. The breakdown in protocol continued from there, according to the findings.

Police body camera footage reviewed by investigators shows Ibrahim and Schultz conducted no preliminary assessment of Guerrero upon arriving, despite his apparent medical crisis, the report said. The paramedics then asked Guerrero, who was nude, to walk 50 feet to the ambulance, and he got up and followed the command.

After getting in the ambulance, Guerrero was reluctant to lie down and tried to leave, the report says. The paramedics then secured him to a stretcher, and police handcuffed him to it.

As Schultz drove the ambulance to nearby Thorek Memorial Hospital, Ibrahim sat by Guerrero's head, with a police officer also sitting in view of Guerrero. The body camera footage shows Guerrero "was lapsing in and out of consciousness" and gasping for air during the three-minute ride.

Phillip Liming holds a picture of himself, left, with friend and former roommate Leonardo Guerrero while standing outside their former residence in the 800 block of West Buena Avenue on Friday. **JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

Guerrero

As Guerrero's breathing slowed, Ibrahim chatted with the police officer and talked about his day, according to the report.

"Ibrahim did not assess or care for the patient at all," the report said.

Schultz noticed that the previously agitated patient did not appear to be moving and seemed calm when the ambulance arrived at the hospital's emergency room bay, he told investigators. Schultz said he asked Ibrahim if the man was still alive. Ibrahim replied that he was, Schultz told investigators.

Ibrahim then told Schultz to alert emergency room personnel that they had arrived, according to the report. As Schultz waited to speak with a nurse on the phone in the hospital, Ibrahim took around five minutes to fill in paperwork, still making no attempt to assess or communicate with Guerrero, according to the report.

"The patient was simply left unmonitored, unassessed and untreated," the report said.

When a police officer pointed out that Guerrero appeared to no longer be breathing, Ibrahim checked his pulse for the first time and loosened the restraints, the report said. They were just feet away from the emergency room. Body camera footage shows Ibrahim telling police to "shut the door" of the ambulance, the report said.

Ibrahim performed CPR in the ambulance before Guerrero was brought into the emergency room, where he was pronounced dead.

The medical examiner's office determined that cocaine and ethanol (or alcohol) toxicity, high blood pressure and "stress complicating restraint" caused Guerrero's death. The office determined the death was a homicide, noting it occurred partly because of "a volitional, potentially harmful act of another," but adding that the ruling does not mean anyone intended to cause fatal injury.

The restraint and the use of drugs and alcohol "are intertwined," the autopsy says. "It is not possible to separate out the extent that each played in his death, nor to say with certainty if his death would have occurred with only one or the other."

Body camera footage shows Ibrahim telling emergency room personnel Guerrero "just coded right as we pulled in" as he was moved inside the hospital, the report says. The claim was "clearly a false statement," it adds.

Fire Department protocol requires paramedics to notify hospitals before ambulances arrive. Ibrahim wrote in a patient care report he had unsuccessfully called the hospital three times. But body camera footage shows no evidence of Ibrahim calling the hospital and captures him telling Schultz he had not called, the report said.

Ibrahim had to say in the report that he called the hospital three times because the Fire Department's software did not have an option for "did not call," Walsh, his attorney, said. Fire Department spokesperson Larry Langford confirmed the department's software previously did not allow paramedics to say in their reports that they hadn't called the hospital. He said the software has since been changed.

In Ibrahim's patient report, he indicated that he had been unable to test Guerrero's vital signs "due to safety concerns for crew and officers," but said he was able to complete a basic impaired consciousness examination that involves visual and physical assessment. The investigation notes he never tried to physically assess Guerrero before the man stopped breathing.

The paramedic described Guerrero as "combative" in the patient report, a word officers also used in police reports, and Ibrahim told investigators Guerrero's demeanor prevented immediate definitive care. Ibrahim's patient report also describes Guerrero as not injured, despite the body camera footage showing him bleeding from abrasions on both knees.

"Ibrahim's notes were at best inaccurate and at worst wholly falsified," the internal affairs report says. Schultz also signed the patient report.

While body camera footage shows an agitated Guerrero not following an initial command to lie down in the ambulance, it also shows that "at no time did (he) become combative," according to the internal affairs report.

Ibrahim told investigators he had visually assessed Guerrero and determined it was best to transport him quickly to the emergency room instead of providing immediate care. He also said he closed the ambulance doors upon realizing Guerrero wasn't breathing "because he wanted to protect the patient's privacy," the report said.

Ibrahim received a six-month suspension from the Illinois Department of Public Health, meaning he will be licensed to work as a paramedic in Illinois in late April. Schultz's state paramedic license was suspended for three months, an IDPH spokesperson said.

The suspensions are too short, Guerrero's family said.

"These people should never be allowed to work in a field like that again," sister Veronica Guerrero said. Paramedic training should be reformed, his family said.

Guerrero's family has tried to obtain more information about his death, even flying to Chicago from Texas the day after he died, but had not been made aware that the Fire Department completed its investigation until speaking with the Tribune.

Guerrero's mother and four of his five sisters, all of whom live in Texas, and his best friend and roommate, Phillip Liming, said they were not aware of the details surrounding his death. The family hired a lawyer and is considering legal action.

His loved ones remember Guerrero as a peacemaking "teddy bear." The sometimes shy, big bartender had an infectious laugh, played with his nieces and nephews like a "big child," and was quick to tell others he loved them, they said.

The Fire Department's description of the medical care Guerrero received before dying made them feel angry and hurt, they said.

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Shooting

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domestic violence abuser? How did he gets these guns and was it through legal means or not?" Congresswoman Judy Chu said.

Earlier Sunday, law enforcement officials swarmed and entered the van after surrounding it for hours. A person's body appeared to be slumped over the wheel and was later removed from the vehicle.

Luna previously released photos of an Asian man who was believed to be the suspect.

The manhunt came after the gunman killed 10 people at a ballroom dance studio late Saturday amid Lunar New Years celebrations in the predominantly Asian American community of Monterey Park. He likely tried and failed to target a second dance hall, authorities said.

The van was found in Torrance, another community home to many Asian Americans, about 22 miles from the second location.

The shooting sent a wave of fear through Asian American communities in the Los Angeles area and cast a shadow over Lunar New Year festivities around the country. Other cities sent extra officers to watch over the celebrations.

"The community was in fear thinking that they should not go to any events because there was an active shooter," Chu said.

She added that she wants residents to now feel secure.

"Feel safe," she said to residents during a news conference late Sunday. "You are no longer in danger."

Luna said the shooting at the Star Ballroom Dance Studio in Monterey Park left five women and five men dead and wounded another 10 people. Then 20 to 30 minutes later, a man with a gun entered the Lai Lai Ballroom in nearby Alhambra.

The suspect entered the Alhambra club with a gun, and people wrested the weapon away from him before he fled, Luna said.

Hours earlier, Luna said authorities were looking for a white van after witnesses reported seeing the suspect flee from Alhambra in such a vehicle.

Members of a SWAT team entered the van a short time later and looked through its contents before walking away.

The massacre was the nation's fifth mass killing this month. It was also the deadliest attack since May 24, when 21 people were killed in an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas.

Monterey Park is a city of about 60,000 people on the eastern edge of Los Angeles and is composed mostly of Asian immigrants from China or first-generation Asian Americans. The shooting happened in the heart of its downtown where red lanterns decorated the streets for the Lunar New Year festivities."

The celebration in Monterey Park is one of California's largest. Two days of festivities, which have been attended by as many as 100,000 people in past years, were planned. But officials canceled Sunday's events following the shooting.

Tony Lai, 35, of Monterey Park was stunned when he came out for his early morning walk to learn that the noises he heard in the night were gunshots.

"I thought maybe it was fireworks. I thought maybe it had something to do with Lunar New Year," he said. "And we don't even get a lot of fireworks here. It's weird to see this. It's really safe here. We're right in the middle of the city, but it's really safe."

Wynn Liaw, 57, who lives about two blocks from the Monterey Park studio, said she was shocked that such a crime would happen, especially during New Year's celebrations.

"Chinese people, they consider Chinese New Year very, very special" — a time when "you don't do anything that will bring bad luck the entire year," she said.

She took a picture of the activity outside the studio to send to relatives and friends in China "to let them know how crazy the U.S. is becoming with all these mass shootings, even in the New Year."

An Associated Press/USA Today database on mass killings in the U.S. shows that 2022 was one of the nation's worst years with 42 such attacks — the second-highest number since the creation of the tracker in 2006. The database defines a mass killing as four people killed, not including the perpetrator.

The latest violence comes two months after five people were killed at a Colorado Springs nightclub.

CHICAGOLAND

Chicagoans remember 10 killed in LA

Lunar New Year celebrations continue despite shooting: 'You can't live in fear'

By Richard Requena
Chicago Tribune

Mass is celebrated Sunday at St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church in Chinatown.
BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Lunar New Year celebrations kicked off over the weekend in Chicago, but Sunday's events were marred by news of a gunman killing 10 people and wounding 10 others Saturday night at a Los Angeles-area Lunar New Year celebration.

For many, this year was supposed to be a return to normalcy after restrictions and lockdowns caused by the COVID-19 pandemic led to the cancellation of the celebration in 2021 and a limited event last year.

At St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church in Chinatown, the sound of 8,000 firecrackers marked the beginning of Sunday's celebration.

Families sat shoulder to shoulder as the pews were filled to capacity with around 300 people. Parishioners and students from St. Therese Chinese Catholic School performed traditional dances that honored their Chinese culture. The service showcased Catholic and Chinese traditions and focused on the importance of family, blessings and prosperity.

The Rev. Francis Li began Mass on a somber note.

He asked the parish to pray for the people killed and wounded in Monterey Park, a city on the eastern edge of Los Angeles, and also for the gunman. "We want peace," said Li. "We want people to feel safe. We have faith, and we place our hope in Jesus."

According to Associated Press, the Saturday night shooting at the Star Ballroom Dance Studio left five women and five men dead and wounded another 10 people. Shortly after, a man with a gun entered the Lai Lai Ballroom in nearby Alhambra. Authorities believe the two events are connected.

The suspect in both cases was described as an Asian male. He entered the Alhambra club with a gun, and people wrestled the weapon away from him before he fled, police said.

The shooting sent a wave of fear through Asian American communities in the Los Angeles area and cast a shadow over Lunar New Year festivities around the country.

The massacre was the nation's fifth mass killing this month. It was also the deadliest attack since May 24, when 21 people were killed in an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas. In Highland Park, seven people were killed and dozens injured in a shooting at a Fourth of July parade last summer.

Eddy Tan, a father of three children, ages 5, 3 and 9 months, said he didn't hear about the shooting until he was on his way to the church Sunday morning. He said that news was on his mind, but he felt safe in church.

Tan, who said the festivities were "really awesome," hadn't attended the celebration since the COVID-19 pandemic. He said he used to go to the church but now lives in Schaumburg.

Tan said he wanted to go to the service to introduce his kids to Chinese culture.

"We like seeing the community help each other in these times," he said.

Michelle Mark and her daughter, Mia, 13, have been going to the celebrations for years. Mia, a student at St. Therese, said having a packed church makes the celebration feel more intimate. "It's great to see the community come together as a community."

Mark said she heard about the shootings Sunday morning on her way to church, but it didn't affect her decision to come to the celebration. "You can't live in fear," she said.

Lunar Year Celebrations will continue around Chicagoland for the next 15 days. The Lunar New Year Parade will take place in Chinatown on Jan. 29.

Associated Press contributed.

"We want peace. We want people to feel safe. We have faith, and we place our hope in Jesus."

— The Rev. Francis Li, speaking to the congregation at Mass at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church

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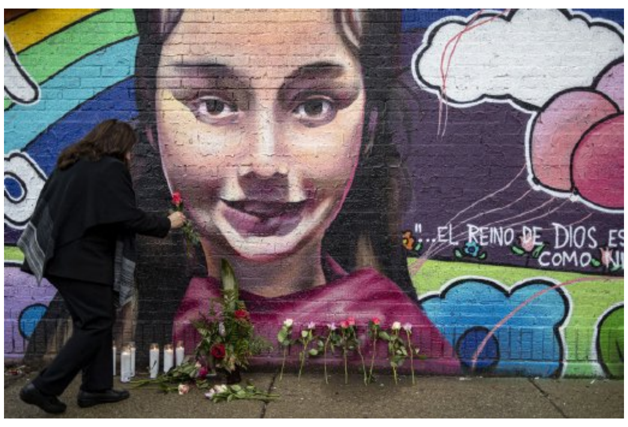
Little Village residents march in memory of shooting victim

By Adriana Perez
Chicago Tribune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Community members leave flowers for Melissa Ortega on Sunday in front of a memorial off West 26th Street in Little Village following a march one year after the 8-year-old was shot and killed while walking with her mother.
BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Melissa Ortega migrated with her mother from Zacatecas, Mexico, to the United States in July 2021.

A year and a half later, on a snowy and cold Sunday afternoon, Little Village residents and community activists gathered on the corner of West 26th Street and South Pulaski Road. The gloomy weather only accentuated the cruel reality that had brought them together: the shooting death of Melissa, 8, in that same spot in January 2022.

She is remembered as a "happy, bright, charming, sociable little girl with a wonderful imagination," according to artist Milton Coronado.

"One year ago, we met here due to a tragedy, a tragedy that has traumatized our community again, and again, and again," said Baltazar Enriquez of the Little Village Community Council. "So we have all come together to see: What is the solution? What is it that we can do to stop this violence?"

On Jan. 22, 2022, Melissa and her mother were crossing South Pulaski Road holding hands when a 16-year-old on juvenile probation opened fire in broad daylight after seeing a rival flash gang signs, according to prosecutors. He hit his target, but he also shot Melissa — who was wearing a pink hat — in the head. She fell to the ground.

Emilio Corripio, a teen prosecutors said was a self-admitted member of the Latin Kings, then got back into a car driven by 27-year-old Xavier Guzman, and the two then drove to buy sandwiches and drinks. Four days after Melissa's killing, her mother, Aracelia Leanos, released a statement forgiving the shooter.

"To the aggressor. I forgive you. You were a victim too. As a 16-year-old, the community failed you, just like it failed my precious baby," Leanos said. "Words cannot describe the pain I am feeling. On January 22 I lost my greatest treasure in life. I lost my princess. She was the reason why I got up every morning."

Community activists on Sunday spoke about a culture of violence that needs to be dealt with so young people stop turning to crime and guns.

"Here we have an 8-year-old victim, and the aggressor is 16 years old — just eight years apart. So we definitely have a problem here that we need to get to the core (of)," Enriquez said.

He said the Little Village Community Council will be opening a mental health clinic to address the psychological effects of violence and trauma in the neighborhood, which he called a "resilient community."

Additionally, he said, the council will establish a committee called Mothers and Families for Justice to help reform the police department's homicide division.

"I wish we didn't have to remember her in this way, but we remember her anyway. And we didn't want this date to pass without remembering her and raising awareness of the importance of stopping violence and investing in our children," said Selene Partida, who helped organize the march, in Spanish. "We're here to remind the community, Little Village, all the Mexicans who live here, everyone who has cried over Melissa's death, and everyone who has lost a loved one to violent crime, that we're not going to let it pass, that we remember them and that their lives were not in vain."

Kristian Armendariz, community organizer with Little Village Community Council, said the council will also be launching the Peace Project, which has been in the works for the last three months and which will offer job readiness, mental health and financial literacy services to young people ages 18 to 25.

"It's about time somebody implements this type of initiative in our community," he said. "All these nonprofit organizations that receive violence prevention money, funding, they should be out here, fighting for Melissa; they should be out here providing more services for our youth, because our youth is our future — and if we don't invest in our youth, what are we doing?"

In 2020 and 2021, there was an increase in shootings, both fatal and nonfatal, of youths 17 and younger in the city of Chicago.

Ald. Byron Sigcho-Lopez, 25th, also spoke Sunday. "These are not statistics; they are not numbers," he said. "These are young people — these are our young people. Our families are being torn apart by senseless violence."

He mentioned a national mental health crisis among youth that has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. In Chicago, he said, 3,000 to 5,000 children in Chicago Public Schools are considered at risk of being victims of violence.

"What are doing to prevent this? What are we doing to keep our families, our kids safe?" he asked. "Mental health services are vital and we must invest in them," he said. "We need to reopen public health mental clinics, and that's what we're demanding of all of those politicians that want to represent the city of Chicago."

Sigcho-Lopez referenced the Dec. 16 shooting at Benito Juarez Community Academy, which left two students dead and injured two others. He also mentioned Little Village vendors being "brutalized and robbed" — after tamaleros experienced a string of armed robberies in December — and the need to ensure they have safe spaces to work.

After these speeches at the corner of 26th and Pulaski, the group of approximately 30 people walked three blocks west toward South Keeler Avenue. There, the group stopped next to a vibrant mural celebrating Melissa's life — her smiling face surrounded by a rainbow, flowers, balloons and clouds.

"Though she struggled with speaking English, she was easily making friends and discovering her passion for writing and teaching," said Coronado, who painted the mural alongside another artist known as "The Kid from Pilsen." Melissa would gather water, soda and shampoo bottles, place them in a circle and pretend they were students so she could teach them.

Community members and activists released white balloons, set down candles and roses, and shared a moment of prayer. In front of the mural, a small tree grows. It was planted there in memory of Melissa as part of the Peace Tree Project, which seeks to promote peace in Chicago neighborhoods affected by gun violence.

"Let these (candles) that we hold in our hands soften the reminder of these lives and what it is we aim for together, to struggle together, to live together, to love each other together, to embrace each other together, to work toward a better city together," Coronado said. "I invite you today to love, because in love we will find peace, truth and, most definitely, justice."

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Paramedic

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The loved ones believe paramedics wrote Guerrero off when they first saw him as a naked, intoxicated Hispanic man.

"They just saw a homeless person in their eyes. They saw no value," Guerrero Tanguma said.

Their brother had a strong fear of doctors, and 911 calls show he had been shouting out for help before police arrived, Guerrero's sisters said. Guerrero was not a "combative" person, they reiterated, and it must have been scary and humiliating for him to be suffering a medical emergency and be asked to walk naked to the ambulance, they added.

"It hurts us to know he suffered," Guerrero Tanguma said.

Walsh said Guerrero's death should not cause the end of Ibrahim's paramedic career. Ibrahim "is an exceptional young man who chose a life of service to the people of Chicago" and "could be a valuable resource to any community he serves," Walsh said.

Walsh said Ibrahim was in the best position to see Guerrero's condition while the man was being transported and he did not see any signs that he had coded before the ambulance arrived at the hospital. Ibrahim also never intended to submit false reports, he added.

Ibrahim made $79,217 while working for the CFD in 2020 after he was hired in early March of that year, according to the Illinois Answers Project.

Despite choosing to fire Ibrahim and suspend Schultz, fire officials did not immediately disclose for how long they suspended Schultz. Through a Fire Department spokesperson, Schultz declined to comment. The department cited "the less egregious nature of his actions" and his status as a newly hired candidate fire paramedic as reasons for the lighter discipline given to him.

"The core mission of the Chicago Fire Department is to save lives and protect property. The actions of these paramedics, in totality, did not adhere to our policies and procedures to do all we can to provide the best medical care on the scene and en route to the appropriate medical emergency department," Langford said.

Coming to the paramedics' defense, the Local 2 Chicago Firefighters Union described Guerrero's death as a tragedy and the body camera footage as "heart-rending," but added that it does not tell the full story.

Ibrahim and Schultz were on their 19th run of their shift, which came as the crew had been working 24-hours-on, 24-hours-off for months, the union said. Local 2 plans to arbitrate for Ibrahim to regain his job "because of the strain which he was under and other extenuating circumstances" and called on the city to provide citizens with "enough ambulances and first responders."

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Candidate

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U.S. Rep. Jesús "Chuy" García, second from left, then a Cook County commissioner, stands with Juan Ochoa, center, and former U.S. Rep. Luis Gutierrez, right, at a news conference in February 2013 when Ochoa was running for Cicero town president. García's name has surfaced in federal court filings in the Commonwealth Edison conspiracy case. **CHUCK BERMAN/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

them both strengthen their spheres of influence.

In an email response to questions from the Tribune, a spokesman for García's campaign said García "has never been asked to speak with any 'federal authorities,' including the FBI, federal prosecutors or anyone in the U.S. attorney's office about anything related to ComEd, Madigan, or Ochoa, nor has he done so."

García's campaign also said he does not anticipate he will testify in any of the ComEd-related trials.

"Rep. García has never been asked to provide any information to federal investigators about this matter, and has no knowledge of it other than what he has read in news sources following the announcement of the ComEd plea agreement. He has no information to provide, as he was completely unaware of the misconduct alleged in those cases," the statement said. "Rep. García is not involved in this or any related investigation in any manner."

Ochoa is expected to testify in the ComEd Four case about a meeting he tried to set up with a U.S. congressman and Madigan in February 2019, more than a year after Madigan allegedly agreed to lean on ComEd to put Ochoa on the board, according to a prosecution filing this month. The purpose of the meeting was to talk about a political action committee that the congressman and Ochoa had recently started, but Madigan apparently thought Ochoa was upset over the board appointment taking so long.

Madigan allegedly directed longtime confidant Michael McClain to reach out to Ochoa and assure him the wheels were still in motion, prosecutors have alleged in court filings. In a secretly recorded phone call, Ochoa told McClain it was a misunderstanding, but acknowledged he "probably would have" brought up the board appointment when he and the congressman got in to see the speaker, according to prosecutors.

Federal investigators referred to the mix-up in both a search warrant affidavit made public last year and a court filing last week detailing evidence in the case. In the affidavit, García's name was blacked out, while in the more recent filing he was referred to only as "a member of Congress," multiple sources with knowledge of the case told the Tribune.

García isn't the only congressman to surface in the probe. The Tribune recently reported that Ochoa also is expected to testify how he enlisted the help of former U.S. Rep. Luis Gutierrez, a close ally of García's, to repair Ochoa's tattered political relationship with Madigan and lobby for his appointment to ComEd's board.

In the emailed statement Friday from García's campaign, the campaign spokesman said the congressman had no role in getting Ochoa appointed to the ComEd board and didn't ask Madigan to put Ochoa on the board.

"With regard to Juan Ochoa and his appointment to the ComEd board, Rep. García was informed by Juan Ochoa, that Madigan was supporting Ochoa's effort to be appointed to the board," the statement said.

Lightfoot already has sought to take advantage of the García-Madigan relationship, seeking to make the indicted ex-speaker a political albatross that could weigh down the García campaign.

The mayor has launched a television attack ad featuring a cartoon García dancing with Madigan and FTX founder Sam Bankman-Fried, two unpopular defendants linked to political contributions to García.

Lightfoot doubled down following a candidate forum Jan. 15, telling reporters she found it "astounding" that García would say to the audience that he defeated the Democratic machine in the past when he stayed aligned with Madigan as more recent scandals unfolded.

"What's clear in looking at his background is that he decided after his defeat in 2015, that if you can't beat 'em, join 'em," Lightfoot said, though she sought García's endorsement four years ago.

Mayoral candidate U.S. Rep. Jesús "Chuy" García greets people as he arrives Jan. 8 for a campaign event at Playas Nayaritas in Chicago's Belmont Cragin neighborhood.
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The mention of Democratic heavyweights such as García and Gutierrez in the ComEd case could also lend credence to what's expected to be a key element of the defense: That the machinations behind Ochoa's appointment, as well as other allegations of wrongdoing, were nothing more than legal, time-honored political logrolling.

In fact, Madigan wasn't the only power broker they were pushing. Ochoa is expected to testify that he and Gutierrez also met with then-Mayor Rahm Emanuel about the appointment in November 2017, the Tribune reported this month.

Madigan hinted at his defense when he was indicted last year, writing in a statement that prosecutors were "attempting to criminalize a routine constituent service: job recommendations."

McClain's lawyer, Patrick Cotter, has made similar arguments, saying in a statement when the case was first indicted that in their "zeal" to get Madigan, prosecutors were attempting "to rewrite the law on bribery and criminalize long-recognized legitimate, common, and normal lobbying activity into some new form of crime."

Madigan's legal team declined to comment for this story, as did Cotter.

A spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office also had no comment.

Ochoa, a former Marine who heads the Riverside-based facilities management firm Miramar Group, Inc., could not be reached. His lawyer, Ricardo Meza, had no immediate comment.

The Ochoa scheme was just one aspect of bombshell allegations that first came to light in July 2020, when the U.S. attorney's office unveiled a criminal complaint charging ComEd with a yearslong bribery scheme involving jobs, contracts and payments to Madigan allies.

Under the terms of a deferred prosecution agreement with the government, ComEd agreed to pay a record $200 million fine and cooperate with investigators in exchange for the charges being dropped in 2023.

In November 2020, an indictment was unsealed charging McClain, former ComEd CEO Anne Pramaggiore, lobbyist John Hooker, and consultant and former City Club of Chicago President Jay Doherty with bribery conspiracy. They're scheduled to go on trial March 6.

Another ComEd official, former Vice President Fidel Marquez, pleaded guilty in September 2020 and is expected to testify against his former colleagues about the scheme to influence Madigan as well as conversations he recorded for the FBI.

Madigan and McClain were both charged in a separate indictment last year with racketeering conspiracy alleging they participated in a range of corrupt schemes, including the ComEd conspiracy as well as similar allegations involving AT&T Illinois.

The scandal helped end Madigan's reign as the nation's longest-serving speaker in January 2021. Madigan later resigned from the Illinois House and as Illinois Democratic Party chairman.

Before Madigan allegedly became the fervent proponent of putting Ochoa on the ComEd board of directors, he had not always been a fan.

In fact, Madigan spared little criticism after Ochoa, a former head of the relatively obscure Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, was appointed in 2007 by then-Gov. Rod Blagojevich to lead the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority of Chicago, a large, quasi-governmental body that was overseeing hundreds of millions of dollars of tourism, trade shows and other revenue streams at McCormick Place and Navy Pier.

Ochoa is expected to testify that in September 2007, he personally fired a McPier employee even though he "knew that terminating this individual might upset Madigan, because the employee was associated with Madigan, and had previously served as a legislative assistant in the General Assembly," prosecutors wrote in their court filing that laid out expected evidence in the ComEd conspiracy.

After the employee's termination, Ochoa hit a brick wall when it came time to negotiate for House approval of legislation to refinance McPier's high-interest bonds in early 2008.

According to the prosecution filing in the ComEd case, when Ochoa tried to arrange a meeting with Madigan to discuss the legislation, Ochoa's assistant got a sarcastic message in response saying "the employee that (Ochoa) terminated should schedule the meeting with Madigan."

"(Ochoa) therefore understood that Madigan would not meet," the filing stated.

Blagojevich, meanwhile, was arrested on federal corruption charges in December 2008, a little over a year into Ochoa's time at McPier. After the governor was impeached and booted from Springfield, Madigan pushed legislation to overhaul McPier, a measure that effectively replaced the chief executive position that Ochoa held. Ochoa announced his resignation the week the bill passed the House.

Ochoa is expected to testify that he resigned because he felt the debt-refinancing would never pass if he stayed on, according to the prosecution filing.

Five years later, his relationship with Madigan still "toxic," Ochoa first asked Gutierrez to help him repair the damage, the filing alleged. Ochoa tapped Gutierrez because he had endorsed Madigan for reelection and Ochoa "felt Madigan owed the member of Congress a political favor," according to the filing.

Shortly thereafter, Ochoa "received a telephone call from Madigan and met with him at his office," the filing stated.

In 2017, Ochoa asked Gutierrez to help him win Madigan's approval for the ComEd board seat appointment. The two met with Madigan at the speaker's office, where Madigan agreed to recommend Ochoa for the $80,000-a-year position, according to the filing.

On Nov. 14, 2017, Ochoa emailed his resume to Madigan's 13th Ward assistant, who immediately forwarded it to Pramaggiore with the note, "Hi Anne, Speaker Madigan asked me to send this to you. Please confirm receipt," according to the FBI search warrant affidavit, which was filed in January 2019 and unsealed in redacted form last May. Pramaggiore then allegedly forwarded the resume to ComEd's legal department.

At about the same time, Ochoa also asked Gutierrez to set up a meeting with "another public official" to discuss the board appointment, the court filing last week alleged. Prosecutors have not named that official, either, but sources told the Tribune he is Emanuel.

Mayoral calendars obtained by the Tribune via an open records request show that Emanuel and two of his aides met with Ochoa and Gutierrez at City Hall on Nov. 17, 2017.

Emanuel has not responded to requests for comment.

It wasn't until 15 months later, after delays due to pushback from ComEd over Ochoa's qualifications, leadership changes at the utility, and regulatory hurdles, that the appointment was finally close to being finalized.

On Feb. 19, 2019, at Madigan's direction, McClain called Ochoa to talk about the situation and Ochoa's mysterious request for a meeting with García.

"So I called (Madigan's) office today to see if (Chuy) and I can go see him," Ochoa allegedly said. "But it actually has more to do with the ah, with the Latino Leadership Council organization that we formed, we just wanted to brief him on it."

"Oh, OK, (Madigan) interpreted that you were calling because you were frustrated that this appointment hasn't been made," McClain said.

Ochoa said, "probably I would have brought it up, but that was not the intention."

Two months after that call, on April 25, 2019, Pramaggiore sent McClain a short text message saying, "Just sent out board approval to appoint Juan to ComEd board," according to the prosecution filings.

The next day, ComEd made it official, writing in a filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission that Ochoa would get the position.

The peculiar political pairing of García, who touts roots in the Harold Washington progressive movement, and Madigan, a protege of Mayor Richard J. Daley and his machine-style politics, first startled the political world in 2016. It was the year after García lost a challenge to Mayor Rahm Emanuel in a runoff election.

While still a Cook County commissioner, García made a surprise endorsement of Madigan in a 2016 primary race against a well-funded Latino challenger, Jason Gonzales, for the Southwest Side House seat that Madigan had held for nearly half a century.

Despite their different political pedigrees, García alarmed some purists in his camp as he called Madigan a "progressive leader on issues of citizenship, parent mentoring, battling predatory lenders that have forced families into foreclosures, voter protections and better funding or our schools."

Along with campaign flyers featuring the smiling politicians, García also voiced his support for Madigan in robocalls, asking voters to "please join me in supporting Michael Madigan for state representative" and lauding the speaker's opposition to then-Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner, according to a recording of one such call obtained by the Tribune.

Madigan won the 2016 primary with 65% of the vote.

García upped the ante in 2018 when he endorsed Madigan as the "clear choice" to remain as chairman of the Democratic Party of Illinois, a position he held since 1998. García once against invoked his progressive credentials as he gave Madigan a vote of confidence in the middle of a major #MeToo scandal involving a top lieutenant.

"As a progressive Democrat, it is my intention to support a state party chair who will work with me to advance our most fundamental goals," wrote García. He backed Madigan as a partner in battles with Rauner and GOP President Donald Trump, calling it time to "stand together against their extreme agenda."

"My choice to join me in this fight is Michael Madigan," García wrote.

As García backed Madigan's hand-picked 13th Ward Ald. Marty Quinn in 2019, Madigan backed some of García's political candidates. García called their ability to reach a political understanding a practical decision but insisted his hard work won him the growing influence that drove Madigan to deal with him.

"My organizing strategy for political engagement enhanced the ability for the traditional power brokers to recognize that the Latino community needed to be advanced, and that our winning of seats was inevitable," García said in an interview for a March 2021 Tribune story. "So, there was a constructive dialogue with the speaker in terms of what's happened on the Southwest Side."

García was given thousands of dollars in campaign contributions from Madigan-controlled coffers, even as the scandals surrounding the speaker were in the news.

In November 2018, the year the speaker's organization was rocked by sexual harassment allegations involving misbehaving aides, García accepted a $5,000 donation from the Madigan-led Democratic Party of Illinois, election records showed.

García accepted another $5,000 from DPI in October 2020, less than three months after ComEd agreed to pay a $200 million fine in a case where prosecutors first labeled Madigan "Public Official A," records showed.

In November 2022, though, as García was launching his bid for mayor, he told WTTW-Ch. 11 that he was "surprised" by the charges lodged against Madigan.

"We all know that there was a great political organization with a lot of power that was wielded across the state of Illinois," García said. "I didn't know the depths of the practices that were going on that led to the indictment."

García's political connections to Ochoa, meanwhile, go back at least a decade, when Ochoa was running to unseat Cicero Town President Larry Dominick in 2013.

That year, García stood up with Gutierrez to call for an investigation into allegations of election fraud and intimidation of Hispanic voters, and also participated in a news conference with Ochoa calling for a federal investigation into Cicero's spending at a Berwyn hardware store that donated to Dominick's campaign.

Five years later, all three had a hand in launching the Latino Leadership Council, which was formed with a goal to raise money to back political candidates and tackle issues like immigration, neighborhood gentrification and income inequality.

García told the Tribune at the time that the idea for the group sprang out of discussions about how to build on higher voter turnout in the Hispanic community in recent elections that has been spurred in part by opposition to then-President Donald Trump.

The organization sought specifically to build on momentum around progressive positions, García said. "We recognize progressive values play an important part in the higher turnout," he said.

In a 2018 organization filing with the Illinois Board of Elections, the chair of the Latino Leadership Council was listed as Jesse Ruiz, the onetime Chicago Park District president whose position on ComEd's board Ochoa was eventually appointed to fill.

Some, however, criticized the council as just machine politics restyled. Among the group's touted members at the time of the launch was then-Ald. Daniel Solis, chairman of the City Council's Zoning Committee whose stunning cooperation in the federal investigations against Madigan and Ald. Edward Burke was still a closely guarded secret.

Solis announced his sudden retirement just weeks after the Latino Leadership Council was rolled out. He has since admitted to taking money in exchange for his influence over city business, and is expected to be a star witness at Madigan's trial, though he is not part of the ComEd allegations.

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Clockwise from top left: Tim Mapes, who served as Michael Madigan's chief of staff, is accused of lying to a federal grand jury and has pleaded not guilty; former Illinois House Speaker Madigan; former City Club of Chicago President Jay Doherty; lobbyist Mike McClain; former ComEd CEO Anne Pramaggiore; and former ComEd lobbyist John Hooker. **CHICAGO TRIBUNE STAFF**

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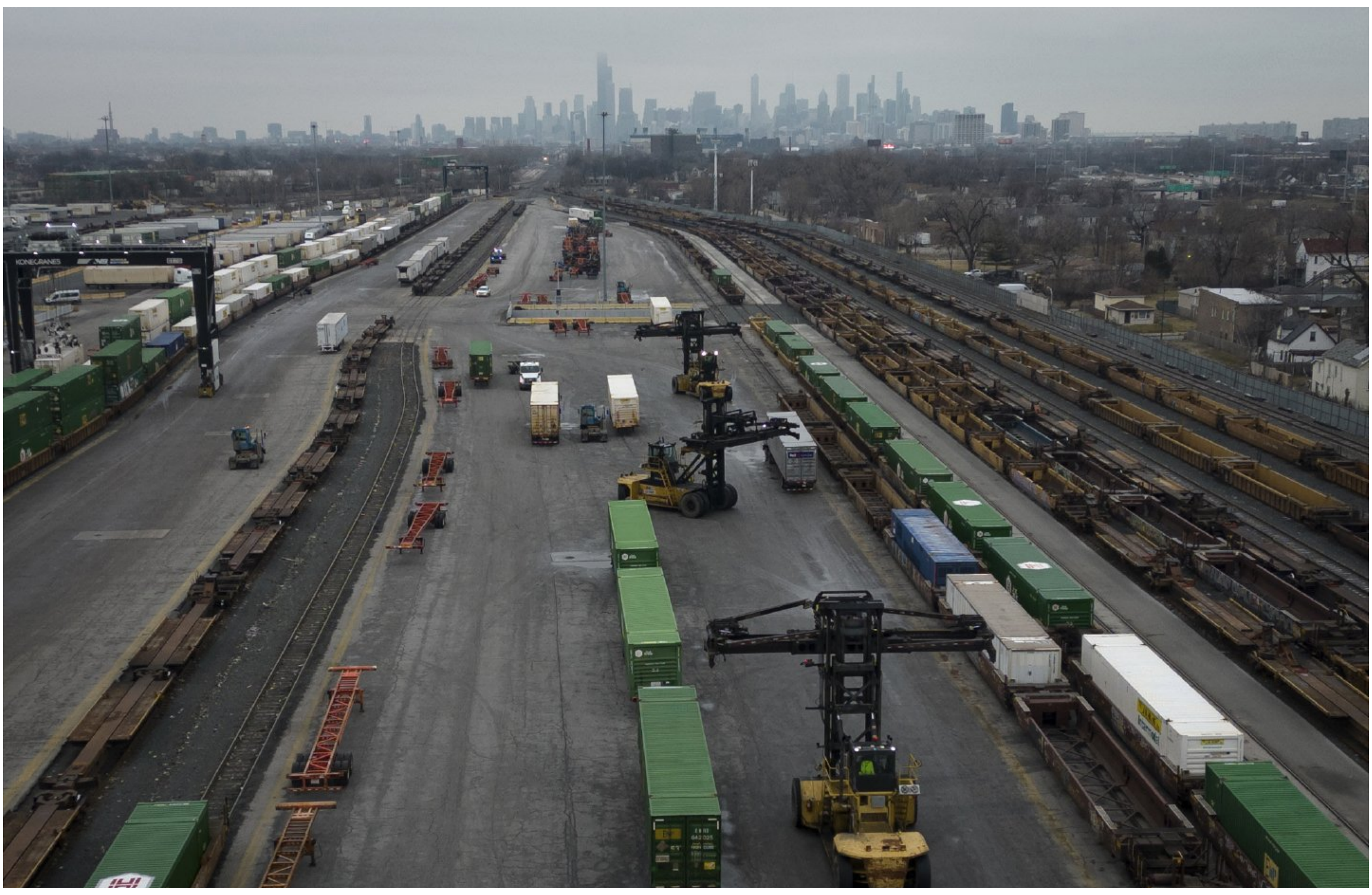

Cargo containers are moved at the Norfolk Southern 47th Street intermodal yard on Jan. 6. **E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

In Englewood, a conflict over a rail yard expansion. The way out? Dialogue.

In "Chicago," a stirring paean to our brawny metropolis, Carl Sandburg described the "City of the Big Shoulders" as a "Tool Maker, Stacker of Wheat, Player with Railroads and the Nation's Freight Handler ..." When it comes to freight rail, that's still the case today.

Chicago is the nation's preeminent rail nexus, with as many as 1,300 freight and passenger trains moving through the city each day. One of every four American freight trains passes through Chicago, trundling along the metro region's 3,865 miles of track and more than 50 freight rail yards.

Status as the nation's rail nerve center gives Chicago remarkable economic heft, but with that status come challenges. One of the biggest: How can the noise, soot and congestion inherent in so much freight rail traffic coexist with everyday living — with kids playing in front yards, with seniors on porches, with people in cars stuck at grade-level crossings?

Long overdue work is being done to improve the movement of freight trains through Chicago, with less interference to passenger train service. But rail yards are a whole different issue. They're places where trains stay put for long periods, often with accompanying noise and fumes. The tracks in yards are wider to allow for loading, unloading, waiting for clearance and servicing.

The inherent invasiveness of rail yards is a matter coming to a head in the South Side's Englewood neighborhood, where the Norfolk Southern Railway wants to make its biggest American intermodal rail yard even bigger by buying up several streets and alleys in between two existing rail lines from Garfield Boulevard on the north to 59th Street on the south.

Englewood once thrived as a neighborhood of railroad and steelworkers, but today the community bleeds people at alarming rates. Boarded-up greystones and vacant lots line many streets. Violent crime is an ever-present threat to families who have stayed. Ald. Jeanette Taylor, whose 20th Ward includes parts of Englewood, has been battling Norfolk Southern's plans for the rail yard expansion, last week blocked a vote on an ordinance that would have allowed the freight company to acquire the land it needs for its project.

Taylor wants to extract more concessions from Norfolk Southern, including more jobs for area residents and an explanation from the freight company on how $3 million that the company set aside in 2013 for environmental and community development projects near the rail yard was actually spent, the Tribune reported.

Meanwhile, Mayor Lori Lightfoot says the rail yard expansion helps because it keeps jobs and commerce in the city. At a time when companies and jobs continue to stream out of Chicago, projects such as Norfolk Southern's yard expansion make sense.

Both sides of this standoff appear to be entrenched in their positions, and that's not good for anyone — not for the people of Englewood, Norfolk Southern or the city.

Residents in Englewood would be more receptive if they could see tangible benefits from Norfolk Southern's plans: a commitment to jobs that isn't just lip service; consideration of what impact the steady flow of freight container trucks have on local roads and the health of people in the neighborhood; and, for homeowners whose properties stand in the way of the expansion, fair compensation.

It's worth remember that, in 2019, the residents of north suburban Glenview effectively blocked a planned Amtrak yard designed to help expand Amtrak service between Chicago and Milwaukee and slated for their affluent community. The village spent more than $500,000 dollars on that effort to retain their quality of life in the face of expanded train movement.

Whatever the merits of these cases, you can hardly blame the residents and representatives of Englewood, who generally have access to fewer lobbying resources, for expecting the city to care about their quality of life too.

By the same token, it cannot be forgotten that freight movers like Norfolk Southern have been critical to Chicago's economic vibrancy for decades, and will continue to be so. Chicago is blessed with geography that makes it an ideal transportation hub — for commercial aviation and freight rail. It's a big reason why Chicago legitimately can call itself a global city, and that's something that must be nurtured rather than neglected.

So, in this stalemate, we urge both sides to get back to dialogue and do what it takes to coexist. Chicago is both a "city of neighborhoods and, as Sandburg put it, the "City of the Big Shoulders." Those two ideas shouldn't be mutually exclusive.

ABOUT A SAME-SEX MARRIAGE BAN

Every year, state legislators flock to Tallahassee with grand plans for all the new laws they say are needed. But sometimes, it's better to do the opposite and wipe away legalese that's obsolete, meaningless and hurtful.

Such an opportunity awaits lawmakers in the annual session that begins March 7.

Despite the growing acceptance of same-sex marriage among Americans and President Joe Biden's signing in December of a federal marriage equality law, same-sex marriage remains illegal under Florida law and its constitution.

Florida Statute 741.212 reads in part: "Marriages between persons of the same sex entered into in any jurisdiction, whether within or outside the State of Florida, the United States, or any other jurisdiction ... are not recognized for any purpose in this state."

The three-paragraph section concludes: "The term 'marriage' means only a legal union between one man and one woman as husband and wife, and the term 'spouse' applies only to a member of such a union." ...

And today, every poll shows that an overwhelming percentage of Americans now oppose restrictions on same sex unions.

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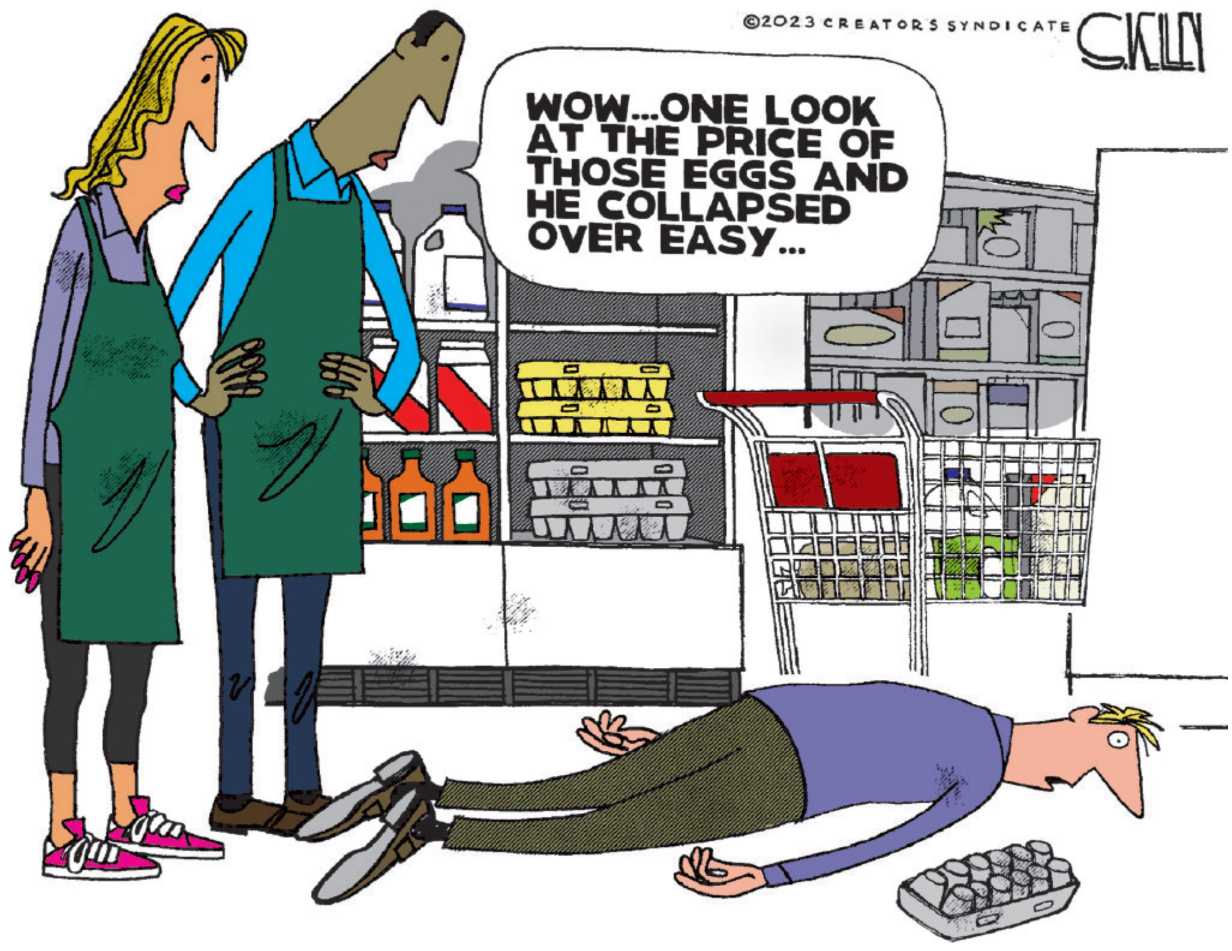
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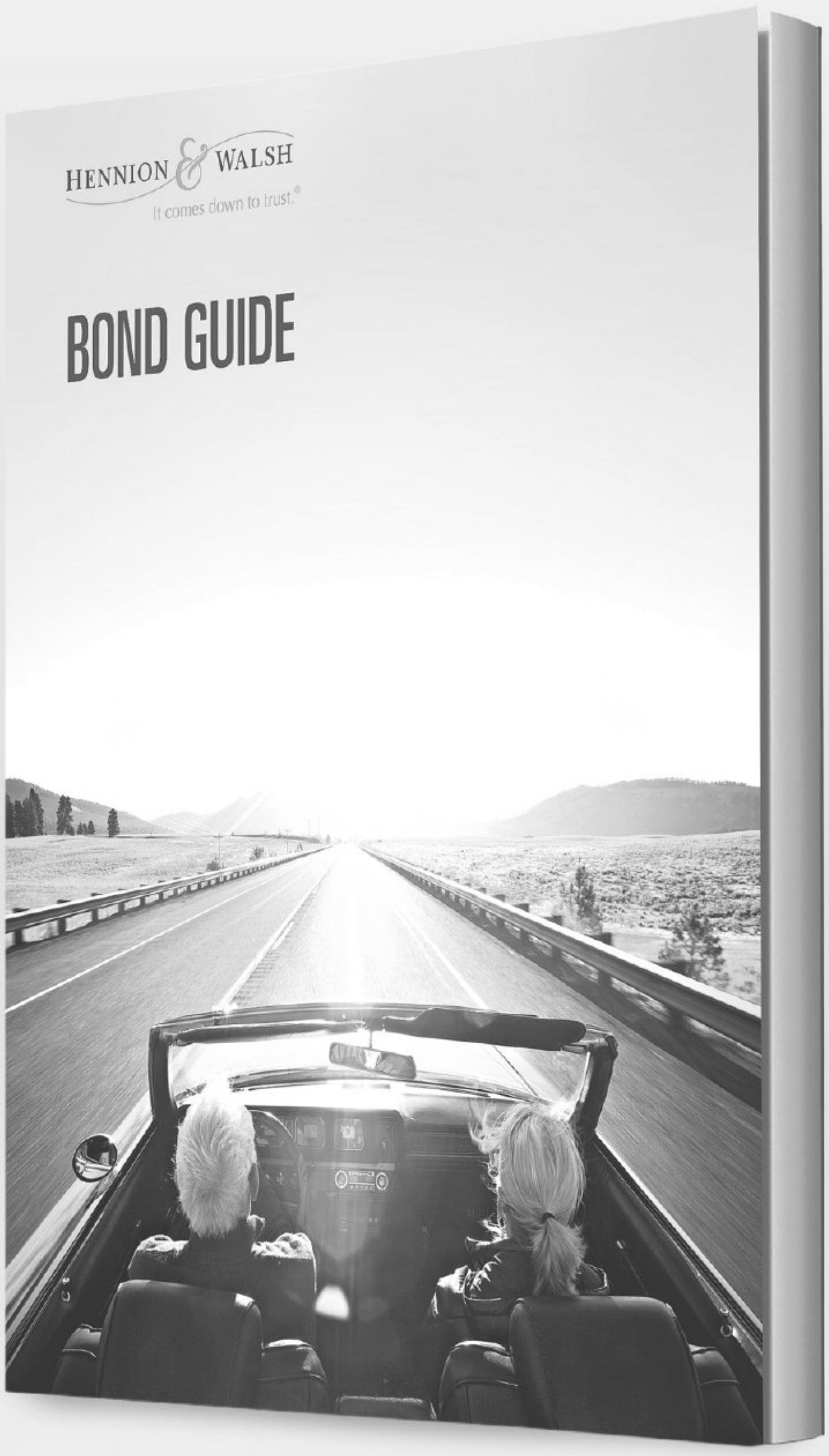

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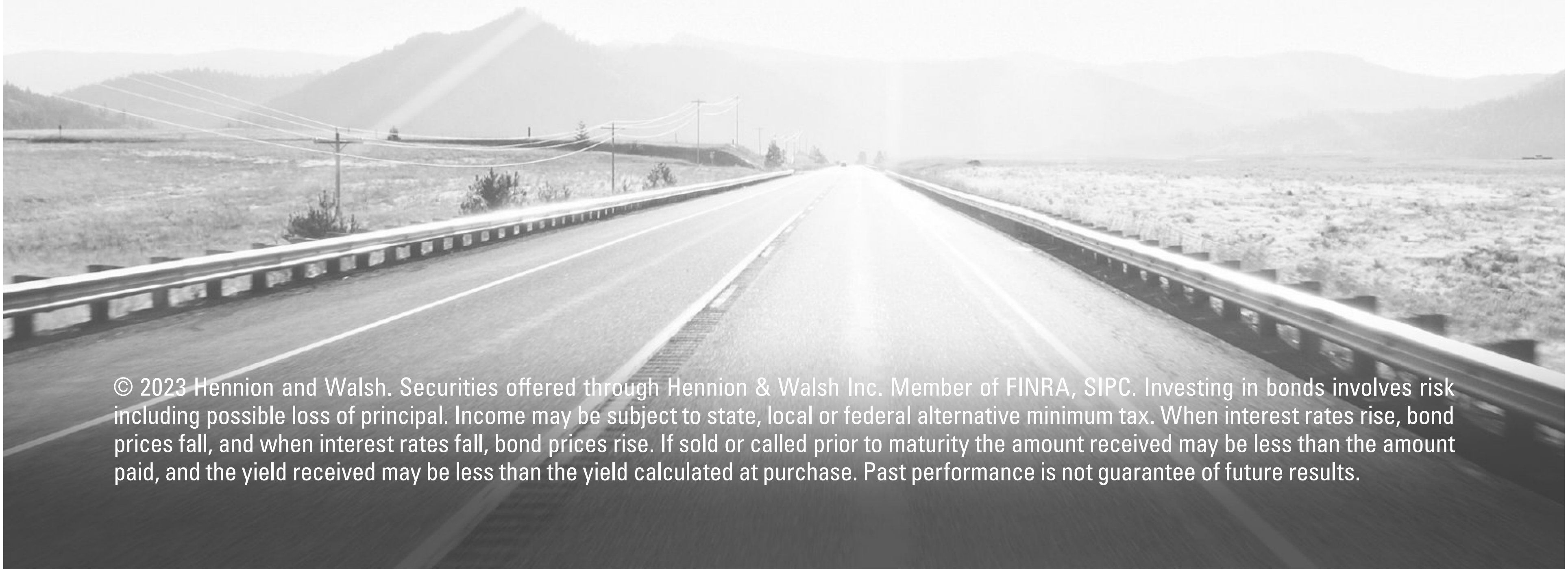

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OPINION

Black voters will make or break Lightfoot

Laura Washington

The Feb. 28 mayoral election is less than six weeks away. The landscape looks rocky for Chicago's mayor.

Do the math. Seven of the nine candidates are African American. Traditionally, racial allegiance has played a role in Chicago politics. Some Black voters lean into African American candidates, believing that they are more likely to advocate for their concerns.

There are plenty of choices and much at stake. Black communities are under siege, suffering from a dearth of economic, social and cultural resources. If the Black vote is split, Lightfoot had better start packing her bags.

Mayor Lori Lightfoot, flanked by her wife, Amy Eshleman, left, and U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly, attends the Rev. James Meeks' last sermon at Salem Baptist Church at the House of Hope on Jan. 8 in Chicago. **ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

In Chicago's nonpartisan elections. if a candidate gets no more than 50% of the vote, the top two contenders will compete in an April 4 runoff. The mayor may not make it that far.

The 2019 mayoral campaign was a different story. Lightfoot made history as the first Black woman and first openly LGBTQ person to be elected mayor of Chicago, thanks in part to the African American vote.

In the first round, Lightfoot and Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle were the two top vote-getters in a 14-candidate field. Lightfoot won a majority of the city's white wards. Millionaire businessperson Willie Wilson captured the Black vote. He came in fourth, winning 11% of the vote and 13 predominantly African American wards on the South and West sides. Lightfoot and Preckwinkle aggressively courted Wilson's endorsement. Wilson gave Lightfoot the nod, helping the lesbian attorney build trust with older, more conservative Black voters.

Lightfoot went on to win 73% of the vote and all 50 Chicago wards, pulling in Black voters, progressive-leaning lakefront residents, Latinos and white ethnic voters on the Southwest and Northwest sides.

Back then, Wilson gleefully claimed the role of kingmaker or rather, queenmaker. Now Wilson is one of Lightfoot's harshest critics. Wilson and community activist Ja'Mal Green have aggressively courted the political limelight since their 2019 mayoral runs.

Also running are Aldermen Sophia King and Roderick Sawyer, who represent the 4th and 6th wards, respectively. Their wards offer solid bases to build on. King hopes to stand out as the only woman to challenge Lightfoot in the race. Sawyer is the former chair of the Chicago City Council Black Caucus and the son of a former Chicago Mayor Eugene Sawyer.

The other African American hopefuls are South Side state Rep. Kam Buckner and Cook County Commissioner Brandon Johnson, who enjoys backing from several progressive unions who know how to turn out a vote.

Also in the mix are U.S. Rep. Jesús "Chuy" García, a Mexican American, and former Chicago Public Schools CEO Paul Vallas who is white.

Will Black voters desert Lightfoot?

She touts prominent Black supporters such as U.S. Reps. Robin Kelly and Danny Davis, along with Bobby Rush, who just retired from Congress. Another influential backer is 28th Ward Ald. Jason Ervin, current chair of the council's Black Caucus.

Others are disappointed. I hear it in chats on the streets, at mayoral forums, on social media. Violent crime must be curbed, Black voters say, because our communities pay the biggest and most painful price.

They are angry about the Lightfoot administration's handling of the botched police raid on the home of Anjanette Young. They are mystified by Lightfoot's plan to locate a shelter for Latino migrants in Woodlawn, with little consultation with the community.

They are furious at the Chicago Police Department's failure to fire an officer who allegedly lied about his connections to the extremist, far-right Proud Boys. They complain that Lightfoot and police Superintendent David Brown have mishandled the investigation into those ties.

Black families are staggering their way out of the COVID-19 pandemic, which affected their health and well-being and kept their children out of schools for many months.

Lightfoot also touts her signature initiative, Invest South/West program, which is plowing $1.4 billion in investments in 10 overlooked and challenged Black neighborhoods on the South and West sides. The effort has been criticized for falling short of its goals. It all adds up to trouble for Chicago's second elected Black mayor.

To Lightfoot's credit, she has not played the race card by appealing to Black voters. That's the one that goes, "Vote for me, so 'we' can keep the seat." As the campaign clock winds down, the temptation may become irresistible.

Meanwhile, Lightfoot may have disappointed many, but she is the first Chicago mayor since Harold Washington to make racial equity and social justice a top priority.

If only all the current mayoral contenders would make that pledge.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Protect youths from vaping

We were pleased to read of the City Council's recent actions to further protect Chicago's youths from the harms of electronic cigarettes, vaping products and tobacco use ("New restrictions for vape shops," Jan. 19). Years of strong city and state policies have reduced cigarette use among Chicago high school students by nearly 82% in the past five years. But this success is threatened by a concurrent 56% increase in youth vaping.

The new ordinance not only requires special licenses for businesses that derive more than 20% of their gross revenue from the sale of electronic cigarettes, liquid nicotine products or electronic cigarette accessories, but also prevents new tobacco retail licenses for businesses within 1,000 feet of an existing retail tobacco store. Finally, the ordinance significantly increases fines for underage tobacco sales in Chicago.

As the tobacco and vaping industries continue youth-focused marketing efforts that prioritize profits over health, it is critical that the City Council works equally hard to counteract those harmful efforts to protect Chicago's youths.

— Erica Salem, senior director of strategy, programs and policy, Respiratory Health Association, Chicago

Risks of facial recognition

In his op-ed, Sheldon Jacobson ("Facial recognition will transform airport security checkpoints," Jan. 13) describes a proposal for increased use of facial recognition technology in airports as a "model" and "game changer." He forgot one other description — dystopian. Indeed, the professor neglects to acknowledge the serious shortcomings of facial recognition technology.

The Transportation Security Administration — created in the wake of the 9/11 attacks — has been testing the increased use of facial recognition technology as part of security screenings at a number of airports across the country. The embrace of this technology at our airports will inevitably expand its use in other locations. But the rush to expand use is happening with serious problems still in place for the technology — and no apparent plans to fix these problems.

Despite promises that facial recognition technology will enhance security, this technology frequently misidentifies people of color. A few years ago, face scans of members of the Congressional Black Caucus were run against a number of criminal databases using Amazon's Rekognition software. A significant number of the members were flagged for a match — despite having never been arrested or charged with a crime.

The flaws have real-life consequences. Consider the example of Robert Williams, a Black man from Michigan arrested for a crime he did not commit because of being misidentified through facial recognition technology. Only after a lawsuit brought by the American Civil Liberties Union was he vindicated and the real culprit caught. The expanded use of this technology will only enhance the likelihood of such events.

Facial recognition is no panacea for security or for our society. Misidentification hurts innocent people and threatens rather than enhances security. Further, this technology now will be used by TSA, which has a history of bias against travelers of South Asian descent.

Solutions for these technological problems must be developed before we embrace a flawed system.

— Edwin C. Yohnka, director of communications and public policy, American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois, Chicago

What the flag means to me

I must respectfully respond to Bridget West's op-ed regarding the American flag ("I want my flag back," Jan. 18). If what she is saying is true, I would have to be embarrassed that I have proudly flown an American flag every day for the past 40 years — for as long as I have owned my home.

When my son was in the Army, I wore an American flag pin and bracelet because it reminded me of what he was doing for our country. I sincerely hope I am not construed as a MAGA supporter by my neighbors or friends.

What scares me more is seeing "Don't Tread on Me" flags or other ones that tout the philosophy of extremist groups. Indeed, if members of the next generation are really turned off when they see an American flag because of its association with a marketing campaign, we must do a better job in our political science and civics classes.

— Carole Klein-Alexander, Riverwoods

Cheers to flag op-ed

Yay, Bridget West. I wish I'd written that!

— Bindy Bitterman, Chicago

Republicans should unify

Former Gov. Sarah Palin, the tea party, the Freedom Caucus and Trumpism: Since the presidency of Barack Obama, the Republican Party has seen a strengthening of its far-right faction. This Jan. 6, Freedom Caucus Republicans in Washington successfully delayed U.S. Rep. Kevin McCarthy from becoming speaker of the U.S. House, marking the first time in 100 years the House failed to elect a speaker on the first ballot.

The United States has seen political fractures of this magnitude before — from Democrats. In July 1948, the Democratic National Convention erupted into controversy when delegates adopted a civil rights plank. Angered segregationists formed the States' Rights Democratic Party — or Dixiecrats — with Gov. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina as its presidential candidate.

Two unifying habits may prevent the Republican Party from splintering into this generation's Dixiecrats. First, reaffirm President Ronald Reagan's 11th commandment: "Thou shalt not speak ill of thy fellow Republican." Secondly, adopt a motto Reagan told his staff: "The person who agrees with you 80% of the time is a friend and an ally — not a 20% traitor."

— Casey C. Hoffman, Menominee, Michigan

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OPINION

UIC FACULTY
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Paula Dempsey participates in a rally for striking University of Illinois at Chicago faculty on Friday.
SHANNA MADISON/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

UIC teachers made me who I am. They deserve more.

By Gina Caneva

On Tuesday, faculty at the University of Illinois at Chicago went on strike, stopping classes across campus. The faculty's union is fighting for higher compensation, improved mental health services, job security for nontenured track faculty and faculty discipline practices.

I got my bachelor's and master's degrees from UIC and am currently a doctoral student. When I first stepped foot on UIC's campus in 1998, I was an excited high school volleyball recruit on a college visit coming from the suburb of Lockport. Having grown up in what felt like a small town, I can remember sitting on a patio above the student cafeteria, with the skyline, the lights and the busyness of Chicago appearing within reach. I wanted to be a part of it.

Though the campus was big, it would become my own small town as every place I needed to go was within walking distance. Most importantly, UIC faculty would catapult me into Chicago Public Schools before I had even decided if being a teacher was the right choice for me.

I was a green and naive 20-year-old student when I ventured into my first CPS school to complete observation hours for my first education course. Crane High School was just a Blue Line stop away west of UIC but it felt like a world away from campus. At the time, the city was in the process of tearing down Rockwell Gardens, a hyper-segregated, nearly all-Black resident-occupied housing complex. A teen was shot just outside Crane a day before I would enter to observe classes.

Some friends at other colleges who were becoming teachers observed in suburban settings, at schools with predominantly white middle-class student populations, that were adequately funded and resourced, and had a lot of support for incoming teachers.

The class I observed at Crane was drastically different. It served a predominantly Black student population with 98% of students falling below the poverty line. Students could not take home their books because there weren't enough. Classes were overcrowded, and technology was scarce. The teacher I observed saw only the students' deficits and not their potential. I had never known a classroom or a teacher to be so cold to students yearning for an education.

And yet I was intrigued. When I started teaching, I used many lessons that I prepared with the support of my UIC professors. The lessons included interesting readings with questions and avenues for students to discuss and have discussions about their interpretations of the text. With teaching strategies along with some boosts of confidence, UIC faculty supported me throughout all of my pre-service teaching experiences. I felt like I could become a good teacher, and perhaps more importantly, I felt that I'd like to start my career in CPS.

Later, I would return to UIC for a master's degree, which had a major impact on my students as it helped me learn how to help students struggling to read. Currently, I am in UIC's doctoral program, and every class has made me think critically about how we can improve education for students. If I add up all of the students I have taught and been a librarian to during the last 19 years, it's well over 15,000. I am just one small example among the many UIC alums and current students making a difference beyond UIC.

UIC professors and faculty members work extremely hard for students to succeed and make a difference in Chicago and beyond. They are supportive, thoughtful and professional and, most importantly, they are outstanding teachers. UIC is one of the nation's most diverse campuses in the nation as it was federally designated as a minority-serving institution in 2010, which means that the majority are students of color from all walks of life. Forty percent of its students are also CPS graduates, making it a haven for the city's high school students.

Last year, U.S. News & World Report ranked UIC No. 11 for social mobility meaning that the school does extremely well in supporting students of lower socioeconomic status to succeed in college in comparison with other institutions. It's no secret as to why: the faculty and staff. They have learned to do more with less even during traumatic times and pivoted during the pandemic to online, hybrid and in-class learning.

The compensation they are asking for is nearly equivalent to that of becoming a first-year teacher in CPS with a bachelor's degree when many UIC teachers have higher levels of education. They are asking for more mental health services and better job security. This strike comes on the heels of a walkout by University of California academic workers; the union battled for nearly six weeks for improved compensation, child care services, family leave and job security. In 2021, UIC boasted that it had set enrollment records for seven years in a row, leaving the public to think that it can afford the union's demands.

As classrooms and lecture centers sit empty, the main question is: Will the university commit to its strong faculty members the working conditions they deserve? With the strike affecting thousands of students and close to 1,500 union faculty members, a decision must be made soon.

This student hopes the university makes the right call and concedes to the union's demands for better working conditions for our faculty.

Gina Caneva is the library media specialist for East Leyden High School in Franklin Park. She taught in Chicago Public Schools for 15 years and is nationally board-certified.

Florida students should stage boycott to save African American course

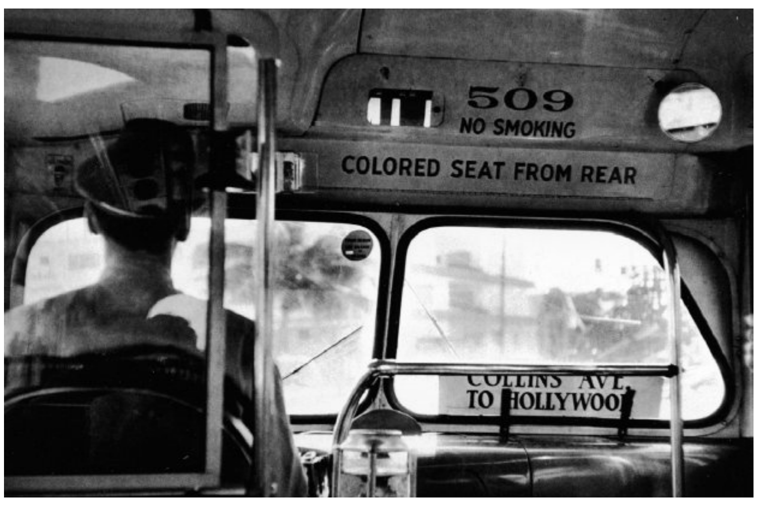
By Jonathan Zimmerman

The Florida Department of Education is right. The new Advanced Placement course in African American studies probably violates the state's Stop W.O.K.E. Act, which restricts what schools can teach about race.

That's why Florida students should violate a different law and refuse to go to school until the course is approved.

Nobody yet knows how the AP African American studies course is "contrary to Florida law," as a state education spokesperson said, but we can guess. Signed last year by Gov. Ron DeSantis, who has made history instruction into a key campaign bludgeon, the state's Stop W.O.K.E. law prohibits any lesson telling a student that "he or she must feel guilt, anguish, or other forms of psychological distress for actions, in which he or she played no part."

So if a teacher describes how federal homeownership programs in the 1930s benefited white borrowers over Black ones, is she running afoul of the law? How about a teacher who tells her class that African Americans are more likely than white people to suffer police brutality? We can't be sure, which is why teachers in Florida — and in other states with similar laws — have already reported limiting or removing such information from their classes.



This photo of the interior of a racially segregated bus in Miami, Florida, circa 1955, shows one of the many race restrictions of the era.
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But here's what we do know: The real victims here are Florida students, who will be deprived of important information about race and history. And nothing will change until the students themselves demand it.

In 1967, more than 3,000 Black students in my hometown of Philadelphia skipped school and marched to confront the Board of Education and condemn vocational tracking of African American students, bans on Afro hairstyles and clothing, and Eurocentric history instruction that ignored or denigrated their community's experience.

Slowly, the schools changed. They replaced racist textbooks that had praised slavery for "civilizing" Black people and the Ku Klux Klan for protecting white women. The district appointed a committee to incorporate Black history into the curriculum. Nearly four decades later, in 2005, Philadelphia became the first major city in the country to require a course in African American history.

In 2011, Hispanic students in Arizona protested after state officials eliminated an elective course in Mexican American history. Prefiguring Florida's Stop W.O.K.E. measure, an Arizona law had prohibited courses that "promote resentment toward a race or class of people." When the state ruled that a Mexican American history course taught in Tucson violated the law, nine Hispanic students protested by chaining themselves to a desk at a local school board meeting.

"When education is under attack, what do we do?" they chanted. "Fight back." A federal judge struck down Arizona's history law several years later, ruling that it was enacted and enforced with "racist intent."

Student protest also helped to preserve the Advanced Placement U.S. history course in Jefferson County, Colorado, near Denver, after conservatives on the school board threatened to dilute it in 2014. Critics said the course gave too much attention to slavery, Japanese American internment during World War II and other "negative" dimensions of the past. One school board member proposed reviewing the curriculum to ensure that it did not "encourage or condone civil disorder, social strife or disregard of the law."

Ironically, that triggered one of the largest acts of school-based civil disobedience in American history. Teachers called in sick, and 700 students walked out of class in solidarity with them. Even after the county closed two high schools for lack of available teachers, students spent their day off protesting. "We have a right to know history," one student sign said.

So do the students in Florida, of course. School officials in Colorado relented after the protest, announcing they would not change the AP U.S. history course. And Florida officials will do the same, with regard to AP African American studies — if enough students demand it.

And that means all students, not just African Americans. "Every student needs to have access to this information," a middle school teacher in Florida told reporters recently. "If you're not giving them all sides of something so that they can think, you're damaging them. You're giving them a biased education."

She's right. Florida officials are trying to bias our students by restricting what our teachers can tell them about history. Now it's time for the students to make history by boycotting school until the state affirms their right to learn.

It has happened before. And it can happen again.

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WXRT radio personality Lin Brehmer in his office in 2012. **E. JASON WAMBSGANS/TRIBUNE**

DJ

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Brehmer met his wife, Sara Farr, in college. "Yes, we were college sweethearts," she said Sunday, adding that they dated for 16 years before getting married. "We didn't want to ruin a good thing," she said, a smile in her tone. "We got married in 1997 and it was wonderful. I learned very early on that I would have to share Lin with thousands of others. I understood, and was happy to do so because there really was no difference between the man on the radio and the man I knew."

When Brehmer moved to afternoons, he said in a typically upbeat statement, "Like a veteran center fielder who moves to first base, I look forward to batting second. The exhilaration of being a morning companion to the families that support 93 XRT offset the brutal schedule of someone who likes to go to concerts at night. I'm not 29 anymore. May the phrase, 'Isn't it past your bedtime?' be applied to someone else for a while."

Last July, Brehmer announced that he would take a leave of absence from the station to continue his treatment, which included radiation, biopsies and drug therapies.

He returned to the airwaves in late November, saying in an interview with CBS 2 Chicago's Jim Williams, "It's been a rough road. … It turns out I'm getting a temporary break from chemotherapy after my last session … so I'll have a nice month and a half off with no infusions — and that's a nice ramp to kind of take off and see how I do, and see how I can handle doing a radio show — and also fighting cancer at the same time."

His return delighted his fans and friends. Many of them were crushed by the news of his death Sunday and shared bright memories and tearful sentiments.

Joe Shanahan, the owner of music club Metro, told me, "The nights at Metro and the days at Wrigley, he truly helped define a new spin on 'doubleheader.' He will be so missed as he touched everyone in his own special way. I am just reeling. I have been praying and crying all morning."

A devoted Cubs fan and well known in Chicago, Brehmer was the most accessible of "celebrities," posing for photos, engaging in conversations with fans at a variety of events of the charitable and entertaining type.

In addition to his personality-touched song selections as a disc jockey, he was at his erudite best in his own artfully written on-air essays, which he called "Lin's Bin."

"Lin did radio with uncommon humanity," said Chicago artist and actor Tony Fitzpatrick. "He was as good and warm as anyone has ever been on air."

In a guest column Brehmer contributed in 2012 for the Tribune's Printers Row Journal, he wrote: "'Lin's Bin' starts with a question. … Where does the time go? Why are teenagers so cranky? The questions come from clueless frat boys, from wistful mothers, from grade school kids trying to understand older brothers and sisters. … I choose a question based on a simple test. Will I be able to answer this? If I think I can, I pursue its conclusion without pity. I have never turned back."

In 2013, he told the Tribune's Teddy Greenstein he had been to nearly 1,500 rock concerts, and his favorite was a semisecret show at the Double Door in 1997 by the Rolling Stones. WXRT received only three tickets, taken by others, but Brehmer said a friend in public relations saw him and waved him in.

He was known self-effacingly as "your best friend in the whole world." There is today an intense poignancy to another of his catchphrases, one with which he ended each daily program: "Never take anything for granted, it's great to be alive."

Brehmer is survived by his wife and son and will be memorialized on WXRT-FM 93.1 with a special block of programming beginning at 10 a.m. Monday, the time that Brehmer's show regularly began. Further memorials are being planned.

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On Jan. 23, 1368, China's Ming dynasty, which lasted nearly three centuries, began as Zhu Yuanzhang formally became emperor following the collapse of the Yuan dynasty.

In 1542 England's King Henry VIII took the title of King of Ireland.

In 1516 King Ferdinand II of Aragon, who with his late queen consort, Isabella of Castile, sponsored the first voyage of Christopher Columbus in 1492, died in Madrigalejo, Spain.

In 1789 Georgetown University was established in what now is Washington.

In 1832 impressionist painter Edouard Manet was born in Paris.

In 1845 Congress decided that all national elections would be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of each November.

In 1849 Elizabeth Blackwell became the first woman in America to receive an M.D. degree. The Bristol, England, native was awarded her degree by the Medical Institution of Geneva, N.Y.

In 1920 Holland refused to surrender former German Kaiser Wilhelm II to the Allies for punishment as a World War I criminal.

In 1928 actress Jeanne Moreau was born in Paris.

In 1932 New York Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt committed himself to run for the Democratic presidential nomination.

In 1937, 17 Communist leaders confessed in Moscow that they had conspired with Leon Trotsky to undermine Josef Stalin's regime. The confessions came at a Moscow trial during Stalin's "great purge."

In 1943 critic Alexander Woollcott suffered a fatal heart attack during a live broadcast of the CBS radio program "People's Platform."

In 1944 Norwegian artist Edvard Munch, who painted "The Scream," died near Oslo; he was 80.

In 1950 the Knesset, Israel's parliament, proclaimed Jerusalem the capital of the Jewish state.

In 1964 the 24th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified, eliminating the poll tax in federal elections.

In 1968 North Korea seized the U.S. Navy vessel Pueblo in the Sea of Japan, killed one crew member and held the other 82 as spies for 11 months.

In 1973 President Richard Nixon announced that an accord had been reached to end the Vietnam War.

In 1974 Israel moved tanks and troops from the western bank of the Suez Canal in its first step toward military disengagement with Egypt.

In 1977 the popular television mini-series "Roots," based on Alex Haley's novel, began airing on ABC.

In 1980 President Jimmy Carter announced in his State of the Union address that he would reinstate Selective Service registration and pledged military force, if necessary, to protect the Persian Gulf region from Soviet aggression.

In 1982 France signed a natural gas contract with the Soviet Union despite the objections of the Reagan administration.

In 1983 a nuclear-powered Soviet satellite plunged through the atmosphere and fell harmlessly into the Indian Ocean.

In 1985 Gen. Fabian Ver, Philippine armed forces chief of staff, and 25 others were charged in connection with the 1983 assassination of opposition leader Benigno Aquino. (All were acquitted by a three-judge panel 11 months later.) Also in 1985 debate in Britain's House of Lords was carried live on television for the first time.

In 1988 more than 50,000 Israelis demonstrated in Tel Aviv to protest the treatment of Palestinians in the occupied territories.

In 1989 surrealist artist Salvador Dali died in his native Spain; he was 84.

In 1991, after 12,000 sorties over Iraq and occupied Kuwait, Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, announced allied forces had achieved air superiority in the Persian Gulf War.

In 1993 Thomas A. Dorsey, widely acknowledged as the father of gospel music and the author of more than 1,000 songs, died in Chicago; he was 93.

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Fang, Norman

Norman Fang, 89, of Huntley, died peacefully, January 20, 2023.

Norman was born February 28, 1933, in Chicago, the son of Adolph and Anna Fang. On November 15, 1958, he married Rose Mary Tader. He proudly served in the United States Navy as a Seabee. He started his career in construction and started NF Construction Co., he ran that company from 1973-1998. He was the Director of the Park Ridge Community Bank for 18 years and was an active member of Spruce Street AC for 50 years. He was a former member of the Prairie Singers. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend who will be missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Rose Mary Fang, his children, Michael (Erin) Fang, Thomas Fang, Stephen (Eda)Fang, Kevin (Shelly) Fang, Richard (Marie) Fang, Michelle (Vincent) Martorano and Eric (Mary) Fang, 6 grandchildren, Zeke, Luke, Rachel, Nicholas, Erich and Sydney, great grandson, Hunter.

Norman was preceded in death by his parents, twin brother, Albert, brothers, William, Adolph and sister, Anna.

Visitation will be held on Friday, January 27, 2023, from 4-7 pm at **DeFiore Funeral Home**-10763 Dundee Road, Huntley. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 28, at 1pm at St. Mary Catholic Church-10307 Dundee Road, Huntley. Burial will be at St. Mary Cemetery.

For further information please contact the funeral home at 847-515-8772 or online condolences may be directed to www.defiorefuneral.com

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Sharp, Hazel M.

Hazel M. Sharp, age 94, of Western Springs, IL, passed away on January 19, 2023; loving mother of Kim & Thomas Jr.; pre-deceased by loving parents Walter & Ruth (née Vial) Martin; dear sister of the late Wallace Martin & Charles Eugene (Gene) Martin; fond aunt of Beth Servello and great-aunt of Olivia & Emelia. Visitation 3 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, January 26 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Will lie-in-state from 10 a.m. until time of Funeral Serivce, 11 a.m. on Friday, January 27 at Lyonsville Congregational Church, 6871 Joliet Rd., Indian Head Park. Interment will follow immediately at Lyonsville Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Hazel's name to the Lyonsville Cemetery Association (https://lyonsvillecemetery.org/) or the Flagg Creek Heritage Society (https://www.flaggcreekheritagesociety.com/) are appreciated. See full obituary at hjfunerals.com. Information: (708) 352-6500

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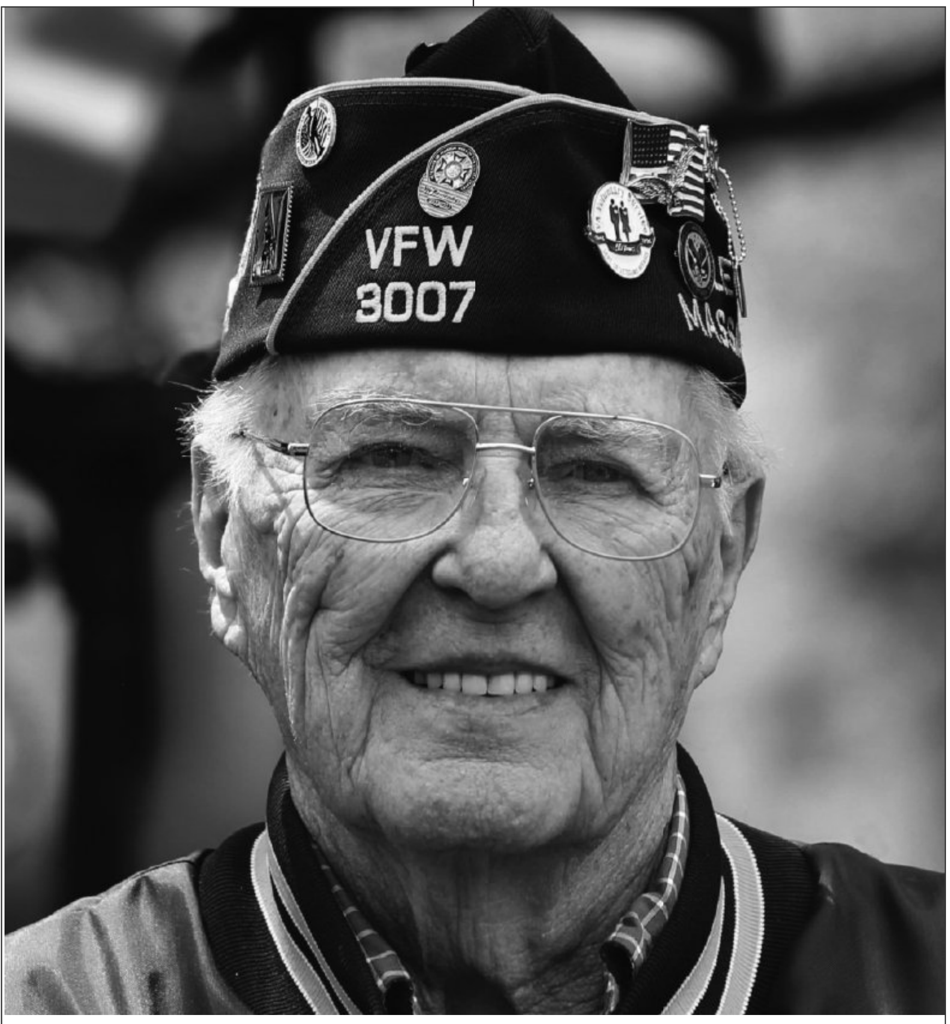

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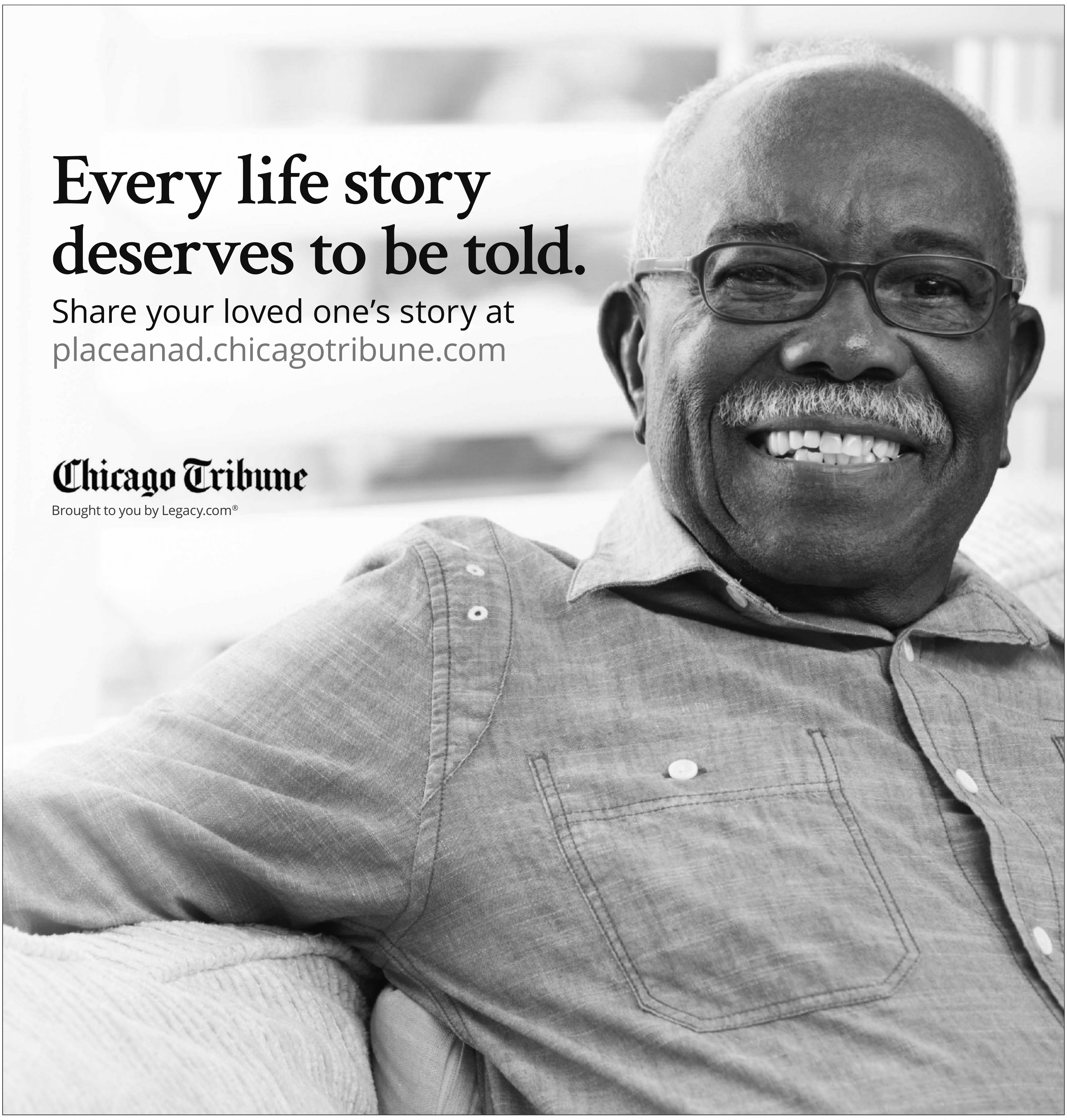
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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements – District 2 (E-Procurement)**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249097**
RFQ NO: **9223,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Stacy Stewart,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: Stacy.stewart @cityofchicago.org

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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements- District 8**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249104**
RFQ NO: **9229,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Luis Bejar,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: Luis.Bejar@cityofchicago.org

Bid Bond:
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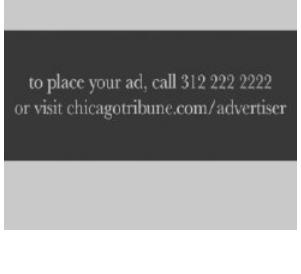
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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements – District 4 (E-Procurement)**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249099**
RFQ NO: **9225,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Lynnette Terrell,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: lynnette.terrell@cityofchicago.org

Bid Bond:
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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements- District 5**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249100**
RFQ NO: **9226,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Luis Bejar,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: Luis.Bejar@cityofchicago.org

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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements- District 7**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249102**
RFQ NO: **9228,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Luis Bejar,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: Luis.Bejar@cityofchicago.org

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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements – District 1 (E-Procurement)**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249096**
RFQ NO: **9220,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Stacy Stewart,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: Stacy.stewart @cityofchicago.org

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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements – District 3 (E-Procurement)**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249098**
RFQ NO: **9224,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Lynnette Terrell,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: lynnette.terrell@cityofchicago.org

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DESCRIPTION: **Term Agreement for Lead Service Line Replacements- District 6**

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SPECIFICATION NO: **1249101**
RFQ NO: **9227,1**
ORIGINAL BID OPENING DATE: **February 8, 2023**
REVISED BID OPENING DATE: **February 22, 2023**
TIME: **11:00 a.m.** Central Time
CONTACT: Luis Bejar,
Senior Procurement Specialist
Email: Luis.Bejar@cityofchicago.org

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Azyion Bell

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Reesie Bell (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **2022JA00169**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Reesie Bell (Mother)** , respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **March 4, 2022**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Vilkelis** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **March 1, 2023**,at **9:30 AM** in CALENDAR **13** COURTROOM **M**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7365302

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Notice is hereby given that the opening date heretofore advertised as Tuesday, January 24, 2023 has been extended to Tuesday, January 31, 2023 no later than 2:00 P.M. for the following items:
Req No.: B20OP80074R2,
Invitation for Bids (IFB) to Furnish and Deliver Various Types of Plywood as required for a period of up to thirty-six (36) months from date of contract execution.
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Vice President
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COUNTY OF COOK OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER FOR THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE BID FOR DRUG TESTING SERVICES BID NO.: 2214-09080

Bid Document: The Bid document is available for download at: https://cookcountyil.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities.

Contact Person: If you are not able to download the Bid or if you have other questions, please contact Jovan Johnson, at (312) 603-6830 or jovan.johnson@cookcountyil.gov

Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference Date, Time, and Location: Friday, January 27, 2023 at 11:00AM Local Time - Chicago
Pre-Bid Meeting will be conducted online.
Please refer to the Bid Solicitation document for information on how to access the Pre-Bid Meeting.

Questions: Questions can be submitted in writing to the contact person above until 11:00AM Local Time - Chicago on Friday, February 3, 2023.

Bid Due Date, Time, and Location: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 11:00AM Local Time – Chicago. All Bids must be submitted electronically and uploaded to https://cookcountyil.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities following the instructions set forth in the Bid Solicitation document.

Toni Preckwinkle
President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

Raffi Sarrafian
Chief Procurement Officer

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Cavarious Cottrell

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Chrishawn Cottrell (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **22JA00259**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Emmanuel Davis (Father) & Unknown (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **April 14, 2022**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Diane Pezanoski** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **January 24, 2023**,at **1:30 PM** in CALENDAR **17** COURTROOM **A**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7366987

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CONTRACT 11-187-3F

ADDISON CREEK CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS, SSA

Notice is hereby given that the bid opening for the above-cited contract has been changed from Tuesday, January 24, 2023, to **Tuesday, February 28, 2023.** Further information is included in Addendum 3 dated January 19, 2023, which has been posted to www.mwrd.org.

Darlene A. LoCascio
Director
Procurement and Materials Management
Chicago, Illinois
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Cree Franklin

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Lakeisha Brewer (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **2022JA00813**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown Father**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **November 2, 2022**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Andrea Buford** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **January 24, 2023**,at **11:00 AM** in CALENDAR **4** COURTROOM **A**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7365225

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Elijah Kelly

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Summer Payton (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **22JA00413**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Sam O'Laughlin (Father) & Any & All Unknowns (Fathers)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **June 3, 2022**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Diane Pezanoski** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **March 13, 2023**,at **9:00 AM** in CALENDAR **17** COURTROOM **A**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7366765

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Gia Taylor

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Anitra Taylor (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **2020JA00693**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown Father**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **January 9, 2023**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Buford** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **March 7, 2023**,at **11:15 AM** in CALENDAR **4** COURTROOM **A**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7365314

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Ivan Benjamin

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Chantell Benjamin (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **22JA00456**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown Father**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **June 21, 2022**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Kimberly Lewis** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **March 1, 2023**,at **10:00 AM** in CALENDAR **8** COURTROOM **A**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7365265

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Kiona Verner

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Precious Verner (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **21JA01160**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Eldridge Hardy (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **December 15, 2021**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Diane Pezanoski** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **March 30, 2023**,at **11:00 AM** in CALENDAR **17** COURTROOM **A**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7365289

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
SCYPION WEEKS

A MINOR
NO. **2022JD01399**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **SCYPION WEEKS (FATHER)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **September 20, 2022**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **STUART LUBIN** in the 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois 60612 on **February 16, 2023** at **9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR **58** COURTROOM **11** ,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF COURT
January 23, 2023

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
D. AUGUSTE
ATTORNEY FOR:
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CITY/STATE: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60612
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000
ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7365260

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will be accepting applications for the following classification(s):

Sheet Metal Worker (Original)

Application Filing Period: January 20, 2023 through February 3, 2023. **Examination Date:** March 4, 2023. **Location:** Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. **Scope of Examination:** Knowledge of Sheet Metal Worker practices. **Nature of Position and Duties:** Under supervision, performs skilled work in connection with the fabrication, erection, assembly, alteration and repair of articles constructed of sheet metal, including sheet metal pipes, flues, ducts, gutters, bins and other items constructed of sheet metal. **Salary:** $49.10 per hour

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Zanyla Dior Sanders

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Keyara Sanders (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **19JA00024**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Luke Carter (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **January 13, 2023**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Demetrios Kottaras** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **March 1, 2023**,at **9:30 AM** in CALENDAR **7** COURTROOM **G**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Iris Y. Martinez, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2023 7365346

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AccuWeather TEAM

Meteorologists Phil Schwarz, Cheryl Scott, Tracy Butler, Larry Mowry and Greg Dutra

ABC7 Outlook: Skies will gradually clear with temperatures still a few degrees above normal. A more active weather pattern will get started beginning Wednesday.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Day / Night	Day / Night	Day / Night	Day / Night	Day / Night	Day / Night
High	36	38	35	31	33	32
Low	30	30	28	24	24	27
	Mostly cloudy; breezy this afternoon	Low clouds	Becoming windier with snow, 1-3”	Cloudy with a flurry	Morning flurries; cloudy, breezy	Cloudy; ice at night
POP	0%	5%	95%	45%	55%	25%
Winds	WSW 10-20 mph	WSW 6-12 mph	NE 12-25 mph	N 8-16 mph	SSW 10-20 mph	NNE 6-12 mph

CHICAGO FORECAST

Monday Conditions

	8 a.m.	10 a.m.	Noon	2 p.m.	4 p.m.	6 p.m.	8 p.m.
AccuWeather.com UV Index™	0	1	2	1	0	0	0
RealFeel Temperature®	16	21	23	23	21	17	17

Monday Activities

	8 a.m.	10 a.m.	Noon	2 p.m.	4 p.m.	6 p.m.	8 p.m.
Outdoor Activities Index	0	1	2	2	2	1	1
Fishing Index	0	2	3	1	0	0	0

The higher the **AccuWeather.com UV Index** number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection. **0-2** Low, **3-5** Moderate, **6-7** High, **8-10** Very High, **11+** Extreme. The patented **AccuWeather.com RealFeel Temperature** is an exclusive index of effective temperature based on eight weather factors. **Outdoor Activities and Fishing Indexes**: **0-2**: Poor; **3-4**: Fair; **5-6**: Good; **7-8**: Very Good; **9-10**: Excellent.

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Sunday Temperatures

O’Hare through 4 p.m.

High	34
Low	30
Normal high	31
Normal low	18
Record high	59 (1909)
Record low	-17 (1936)

Local Temperatures
through 6 p.m. Sunday

Location	Hi	Lo	Normal Hi	Normal Lo
Aurora	32	29	30	14
Gary	34	30	33	19
Kankakee	34	30	32	15
Lansing	33	30	32	17
Midway	34	30	32	19
Romeoville	34	30	31	15
Valparaiso	33	29	34	18
Waukegan	32	30	30	15

Sunday Precipitation

	2023	2022	Normal
Sunday*	0.11”	0.03”	0.07”
Month to date	1.99”	0.39”	1.46”
Year to date	1.99”	0.39”	1.46”
Snowfall			
Sunday*	1.5”	3.5”	0.4”
Month to date	1.9”	4.9”	7.7”
Season to date	6.2”	6.8”	17.3”

*24-hour period ending 4 p.m. Sunday

Air Quality Index

Sunday’s reading	Moderate
Monday’s forecast	Moderate
Primary pollutant	Particulates

Source: AirNow.gov

Sun and Moon

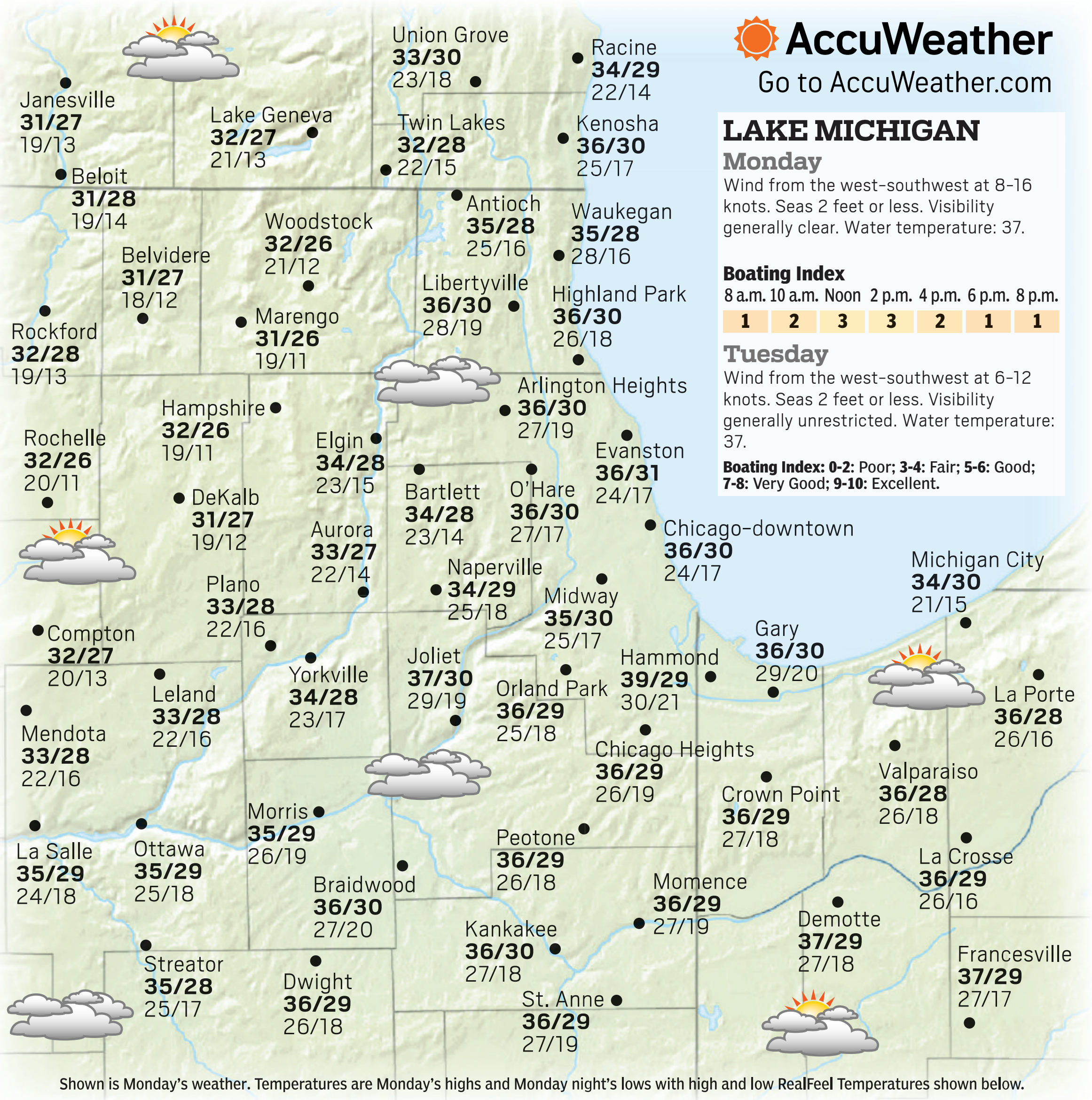
	Mon.	Tue.
Sunrise	7:11 a.m.	7:11 a.m.
Sunset	4:54 p.m.	4:55 p.m.
Moonrise	8:51 a.m.	9:20 a.m.
Moonset	7:20 p.m.	8:38 p.m.

First	Full	Last	New
Jan 28	Feb 5	Feb 13	Feb 20

Monday’s Planet Watch

	Rise	Set
Mercury	5:38 a.m.	3:04 p.m.
Venus	8:24 a.m.	6:44 p.m.
Mars	12:28 p.m.	3:49 a.m.
Jupiter	9:52 a.m.	10:03 p.m.
Saturn	8:19 a.m.	6:40 p.m.

Best viewing times today: Venus: 6:05 p.m. Mars: 6:05 p.m. Jupiter: 6:05 p.m. Saturn: 6:05 p.m. Mercury: 6:40 a.m.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Antioch
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Waukegan
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LAKE MICHIGAN

Monday

Wind from the west-southwest at 8-16 knots. Seas 2 feet or less. Visibility generally clear. Water temperature: 37.

Boating Index

8 a.m.	10 a.m.	Noon	2 p.m.	4 p.m.	6 p.m.	8 p.m.
1	2	3	3	2	1	1

Tuesday

Wind from the west-southwest at 6-12 knots. Seas 2 feet or less. Visibility generally unrestricted. Water temperature: 37.

Boating Index: 0-2: Poor; **3-4**: Fair; **5-6**: Good; **7-8**: Very Good; **9-10**: Excellent.

Shown is Monday’s weather. Temperatures are Monday’s highs and Monday night’s lows with high and low RealFeel Temperatures shown below.

ASK abc7

Phil Schwarz

QUESTION: What are these weather-related terms? Harmattan Khamsin Shamal

Charles B. Mount Greenwood

ANSWER: Harmattan is a northeast wind in West Africa during the winter months that brings dry and dusty conditions. Khamsin is a southeast wind in late winter into early spring in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula. This can produce extremely hot conditions for so early in the year. Shamal is a northwest wind in the Persian Gulf States that usually occurs in the summer. A shamal is generated by the heating of the day and can cause large sandstorms to develop.

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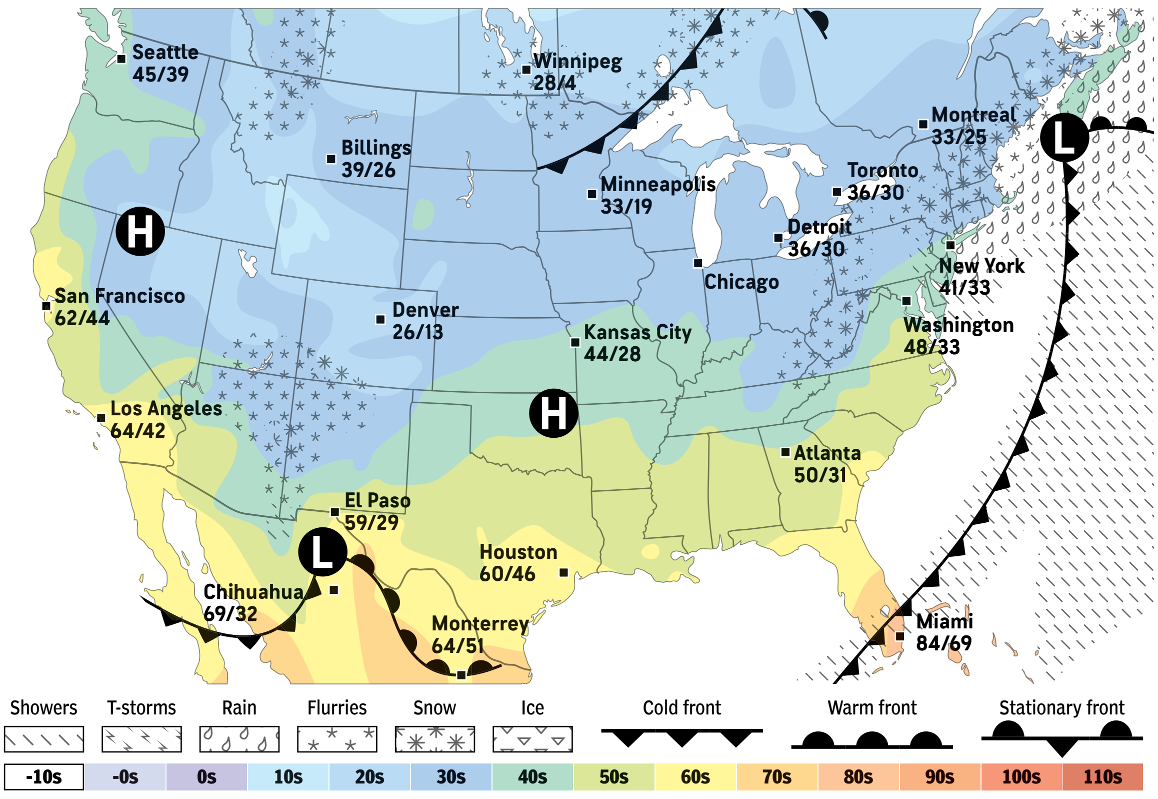
Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.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Minneapolis
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Chicago
New York
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San Francisco
62/44
Denver
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Kansas City
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Washington
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Los Angeles
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REGIONAL CITIES

City	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W
Illinois		
Carbondale	44/27/c	44/31/c
Champaign	38/29/c	40/31/c
Decatur	39/28/c	40/32/c
Moline	36/29/c	39/29/pc
Peoria	36/29/c	38/32/pc
Quincy	38/28/pc	41/30/pc
Rockford	32/28/c	37/29/c
Springfield	38/28/c	40/30/c
Sterling	32/29/c	36/28/c
Indiana		
Bloomington	38/26/pc	43/33/pc
Evansville	42/29/pc	46/32/c
Fort Wayne	35/29/c	35/32/c
Indianapolis	37/29/pc	42/31/pc
Lafayette	39/30/pc	40/31/c
South Bend	36/30/c	38/30/c
Wisconsin		
Green Bay	30/26/c	32/18/c
Kenosha	36/30/c	38/30/c
La Crosse	32/24/pc	34/26/pc
Madison	30/26/c	33/22/c
Milwaukee	35/30/c	36/29/pc
Wausau	28/23/c	28/20/c
Michigan		
Detroit	36/30/c	38/31/c
Grand Rapids	33/30/c	36/28/c
Marquette	28/20/sn	23/13/sn
Sault Ste. Marie	32/25/sn	27/11/c
Traverse City	34/30/c	34/24/c
Iowa		
Ames	31/22/c	31/24/pc
Cedar Rapids	29/25/c	35/25/c
Des Moines	34/24/c	34/26/pc
Dubuque	28/26/c	33/25/pc

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W
Abilene	58/33/s	36/26/sn
Albany, NY	35/29/sf	37/25/c
Albuquerque	37/25/sn	41/22/pc
Amarillo	43/26/c	35/22/sn
Anchorage	32/28/sn	40/32/r
Asheville	41/25/pc	51/37/s
Aspen	30/9/sn	23/7/sf
Atlanta	50/31/pc	55/45/pc
Atlantic City	42/32/r	46/32/pc
Austin	60/44/s	54/37/r
Baltimore	45/31/pc	51/34/pc
Billings	39/26/s	38/28/c
Birmingham	51/31/pc	56/48/pc
Bismarck	32/16/c	30/16/c
Boise	32/19/c	35/20/pc
Boston	39/30/sn	41/30/pc
Brownsville	72/65/c	79/49/c
Buffalo	36/31/sf	36/28/sf
Burlington, VT	32/28/sf	37/17/sn
Charleston, SC	61/34/pc	59/46/s
Charleston, WV	37/27/sf	43/31/pc
Charlotte	53/28/pc	53/39/s
Chattanooga	47/29/pc	55/42/pc
Cheyenne	25/14/sn	25/15/pc
Cincinnati	36/28/sf	43/32/pc
Cleveland	35/29/sf	38/30/c
Colorado Spgs	31/16/sn	32/15/pc
Columbia, MO	42/29/pc	43/31/c
Columbia, SC	56/28/s	56/39/s
Columbus, OH	36/26/sf	38/31/c
Concord	35/23/sn	40/14/pc
Corpus Christi	66/61/pc	74/42/r
Dallas	55/40/pc	42/33/r
Daytona Beach	69/49/pc	72/59/c
Denver	26/13/sn	27/16/pc
Duluth	30/13/sn	24/18/pc
El Paso	59/29/pc	50/29/s
Fairbanks	-1/-5/sn	3/-5/sn
Fargo	32/16/sn	26/17/c
Flagstaff	27/9/sn	35/5/s
Fort Myers	75/56/sh	80/66/pc
Fort Smith	51/30/s	39/33/sn
Fresno	55/34/s	58/35/pc
Grand Junction	36/21/pc	36/18/pc
Great Falls	33/23/sn	36/22/sn
Harrisburg	43/32/r	45/32/pc
Hartford	36/28/sn	42/23/pc
Helena, MT	32/22/sn	33/22/c
Honolulu	82/67/sh	82/69/sh
Houston	60/46/s	60/38/t
Int’l Falls	30/9/sn	22/14/c
Jackson, MS	55/36/s	54/39/t
Jacksonville	64/37/pc	66/53/pc
Juneau	41/37/r	41/40/r
Kansas City	44/28/pc	43/29/c
Las Vegas	52/35/s	56/36/s
Lexington	38/28/sn	46/33/pc
Lincoln	38/21/pc	39/25/pc
Little Rock	52/33/s	46/34/r
Los Angeles	64/42/s	62/44/s
Louisville	41/31/pc	49/36/pc
Macon	57/27/s	59/45/pc
Memphis	49/32/pc	49/37/sh
Miami	84/69/c	80/72/c
Minneapolis	33/19/c	31/25/c
Mobile	58/38/pc	60/50/t
Montgomery	57/32/pc	59/50/c
Nashville	47/28/pc	50/41/pc
New Orleans	58/49/pc	67/49/t
New York City	41/33/r	45/34/pc
Norfolk	51/34/pc	50/35/s
Oklahoma City	48/33/pc	38/29/r
Omaha	37/27/pc	39/22/c
Orlando	69/49/pc	74/62/c
Palm Beach	80/65/c	75/70/c
Palm Springs	64/45/s	71/48/s
Philadelphia	43/32/r	47/31/pc
Phoenix	52/36/s	59/37/s
Pittsburgh	34/27/sf	37/28/c
Portland, ME	34/22/sn	40/20/pc
Portland, OR	47/38/c	48/41/c
Providence	39/28/r	43/26/pc
Raleigh	52/29/pc	53/37/s
Rapid City	40/21/c	45/26/c
Reno	35/20/s	43/25/s
Richmond	52/28/pc	53/34/s
Rochester	34/31/sf	35/27/c
Sacramento	59/33/s	59/34/s
St. Louis	44/29/c	44/32/c
Salem, OR	48/31/c	50/37/pc
Salt Lake City	33/21/s	34/23/pc
San Antonio	60/45/s	59/38/r
San Diego	63/41/s	64/43/s
San Francisco	62/44/s	62/43/s
San Juan	83/71/pc	84/72/s
Santa Fe	34/17/sn	35/16/pc
Savannah	61/35/pc	62/48/pc
Seattle	45/39/c	47/41/c
Shreveport	56/40/s	46/36/r
Sioux Falls	32/12/c	29/18/pc
Spokane	34/24/c	34/26/c
Syracuse	35/30/sf	36/26/sf
Tallahassee	60/35/pc	63/53/c
Tampa	67/50/pc	74/64/c
Topeka	43/23/pc	42/29/c
Tucson	47/30/sh	56/32/s
Tulsa	49/30/pc	40/32/r
Washington, DC	48/33/sh	51/35/pc
Wichita	45/26/c	40/29/sn
Wilkes-Barre	38/33/sn	38/25/pc
Yuma	61/41/s	66/42/s

Weather(W): s-sunny, **pc**-partly cloudy, **c**-cloudy, **sh**-showers, **t**-thunderstorms, **r**-rain, **sf**-snow flurries, **sn**-snow, **i**-ice. **POP**: Probability of Precipitation.

WORLD CITIES

City	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W
Acapulco	86/69/s	86/67/s
Algiers	48/35/sh	53/38/r
Amsterdam	39/31/pc	38/29/pc
Ankara	55/18/s	54/23/s
Athens	64/52/r	63/51/sh
Auckland	75/61/pc	77/63/pc
Baghdad	66/40/s	64/38/s
Bangkok	92/73/pc	92/68/c
Barbados	85/76/c	83/75/pc
Barcelona	50/37/s	49/39/s
Beijing	31/2/sn	23/1/s
Beirut	69/57/s	71/57/s
Berlin	38/31/c	37/27/c
Bermuda	72/64/c	68/59/pc
Bogota	66/48/pc	68/45/r
Brussels	37/31/c	38/27/s
Bucharest	41/31/r	36/31/c
Budapest	50/34/sn	48/28/c
Bueno Aires	84/72/s	89/74/s
Cairo	72/54/pc	72/52/pc
Cancun	84/75/sh	83/76/c
Caracas	87/74/pc	87/71/c
Casablanca	63/34/s	61/35/s
Copenhagen	36/32/pc	38/34/c
Dublin	53/44/c	52/45/c
Edmonton	36/26/sn	35/18/sn
Frankfurt	40/33/c	41/31/pc
Geneva	36/29/pc	39/31/s
Guadalajara	79/42/s	79/40/s
Havana	87/61/s	87/65/s
Helsinki	31/29/c	35/34/sf
Hong Kong	75/52/pc	58/46/c
Istanbul	54/45/pc	49/43/c
Jerusalem	64/48/s	64/47/s
Johannesburg	86/59/s	88/62/s
Kabul	32/11/s	31/8/s
Kingston	87/74/s	88/75/s
Kyiv	33/26/c	32/21/c
Lima	78/68/pc	77/68/c
Lisbon	55/38/s	53/37/s
London	40/29/c	42/29/pc
Madrid	47/26/c	44/24/s
Manila	89/77/c	87/75/pc
Mexico City	77/43/s	79/48/s
Monterrey	64/51/pc	79/42/s
Montreal	33/25/c	35/7/sn
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Munich	33/31/c	35/30/c
Nairobi	79/60/c	80/61/pc
Nassau	85/69/s	82/72/pc
New Delhi	72/54/pc	70/56/sh
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Panama City	90/73/t	90/74/t
Paris	38/30/c	39/32/s
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Seoul	45/1/c	12/-2/s
Singapore	86/76/r	86/76/r
Sofia	47/36/r	39/31/sh
Stockholm	29/26/pc	40/37/c
Sydney	77/66/pc	81/69/pc
Taipei	68/52/sh	54/45/c
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Trinidad	84/75/pc	85/75/pc
Vancouver	43/39/r	44/38/r
Vienna	37/33/sn	39/30/c
Warsaw	37/32/c	38/27/c
Winnipeg	28/4/c	21/4/sn

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WAR IN UKRAINE

Germany eases stance on its tanks

Minister: Poland-Ukraine transfer won't be blocked

By Andrew Meldrum
Associated Press

Sightseers tour an exhibition Sunday in Kirovsk, Russia, featuring captured Ukrainian armored vehicles. **DMITRI LOVETSKY/AP**

KYIV, Ukraine — The German government will not object if Poland decides to send Leopard 2 battle tanks to Ukraine, Germany's top diplomat said Sunday, indicating movement on supplying weapons that Kyiv has described as essential to its ability to fend off an intensified Russian offensive.

German Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock told French TV channel LCI that Poland has not formally asked for Berlin's approval to share some of its German-made Leopards but added "if we were asked, we would not stand in the way."

German officials "know how important these tanks are" and "this is why we are discussing this now with our partners," Baerbock said in interview clips posted by LCI.

Ukraine's supporters pledged billions of dollars in military aid to Ukraine during a meeting at Ramstein Air Base in Germany on Friday. International defense leaders discussed Ukraine's urgent request for the Leopard 2 tanks, and the failure to work out an agreement overshadowed the new commitments.

Germany is one of the main donors of weapons to Ukraine, and it ordered a review of its Leopard 2 stocks in preparation for a possible green light. Nonetheless, the government in Berlin has shown caution at each step of increasing its military aid to Ukraine, a hesitancy seen as rooted in its history and political culture.

Germany's tentativeness has drawn criticism, particularly from Poland and the Baltic states, countries on NATO's eastern flank that feel especially threatened by Russia's renewed aggression.

Polish Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki said that if the fellow NATO and European Union member did not consent to transferring Leopard tanks to Ukraine, his country was prepared to build a "smaller coalition" of countries that would send theirs anyway.

"Almost a year had passed since the outbreak of war," Morawiecki said in an interview with Polish state news agency PAP published Sunday. "Evidence of the Russian army's war crimes can be seen on television and on YouTube. What more does Germany need to open its eyes and start to act in line with the potential of the German state?"

Previously, some officials in Poland indicated that Finland and Denmark also were ready to send Leopards to Ukraine.

Earlier Sunday, the speaker of the lower house of Russia's parliament, State Duma Chairman Vyacheslav Volodin, said governments that give more powerful weapons to Ukraine risked causing a "global tragedy that would destroy their countries."

"Supplies of offensive weapons to the Kyiv regime would lead to a global catastrophe," Volodin said. "If Washington and NATO supply weapons that would be used for striking peaceful cities and making attempts to seize our territory as they threaten to do, it would trigger a retaliation with more powerful weapons."

French President Emmanuel Macron, meanwhile, said Sunday that he had asked his defense minister to "work on" the idea of sending some of France's Leclerc battle tanks to Ukraine.

Macron spoke during a news conference in Paris with German Chancellor Olaf Scholz as France and Germany commemorated the 60th anniversary of their post-World War II friendship treaty. In a joint declaration, the two countries committed to their "unwavering support" for Ukraine.

France will make its tank decision based on three criteria, Macron said: that sharing the equipment does not lead to an escalation of the conflict, that it would provide efficient and workable help when training time is taken into account, and that it wouldn't weaken France's own military.

In Washington, two leading lawmakers urged the U.S. on Sunday to send some of its Abrams tanks to Ukraine in the interests of overcoming Germany's reluctance to share its own, more suitable tanks.

"If we announced we were giving an Abrams tank, just one, that would unleash" the flow of tanks from Germany, Rep. Michael McCaul, the Republican chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, told ABC's "This Week on Sunday." "What I hear is that Germany's waiting on us to take the lead."

Sen. Chris Coons, a Democrat who is on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, also spoke up for the U.S. sending Abrams tanks.

"If it requires our sending some Abrams tanks in order to unlock getting the Leopard tanks from Germany, from Poland, from other allies, I would support that," Coons said.

Dmitry Medvedev, the deputy head of the Russian Security Council, said Friday's U.S.-led meeting at the air base in Germany "left no doubt that our enemies will try to exhaust or better destroy us," adding that "they have enough weapons" to achieve the purpose.

Medvedev, a former Russian president, warned that "in case of a protracted conflict," Russia could seek to form a military alliance with "the nations that are fed up with the Americans and a pack of their castrated dogs."

Dems on docs: President should be 'embarrassed'

But lawmakers add Biden cooperated more than Trump

By Ellen Knickmeyer and Seung Min Kim
Associated Press

President Joe Biden talks with reporters Friday in the White House. On Sunday, several senior Democratic lawmakers voiced dismay at his handling of classified materials. **SUSAN WALSH/AP**

WASHINGTON — Senior Democrats, dismayed by a steady stream of startling disclosures, expressed criticism Sunday of how President Joe Biden handled classified material after leaving office as vice president and disappointment that the White House has not been more forthcoming with the public.

Lawmakers who might have anticipated questions focusing on the debt limit or Ukraine aid when they were booked last week for the Sunday news shows found themselves quizzed about the latest development over the weekend in the document drama that has put Biden's presidency on the defensive.

During a search Friday of Biden's home in Wilmington, Delaware, the FBI found additional documents with classified markings and took possession of some of his handwritten notes, the president's lawyer said Saturday.

Biden should be "embarrassed by the situation," said Illinois Sen. Dick Durbin, the second-ranking Democrat in the Senate, adding that the president had ceded the moral high ground on an issue that has already entangled former President Donald Trump. Special counsels appointed by Attorney General Merrick Garland are investigating both cases.

"Let's be honest about it. When the information is found, it diminishes the stature of any person who is in possession of it because it's not supposed to happen. ... The elected official bears ultimate responsibility," Durbin said.

Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W. Va., said Biden "should have a lot of regrets. ... You just might as well say, 'Listen, it's irresponsible.'"

The president told reporters on Thursday that he had "no regrets" over how and when the public learned about the documents and that there was "no there there."

Despite their criticism, Biden's fellow Democrats defended what they said was his cooperation with the Justice Department as the search for additional classified material unfolds. They contrasted it with Trump's resistance to efforts to recover hundreds of documents after he left office.

"It is outrageous that either occurred," Durbin said. "But the reaction by the former president and the current president could not be in sharper contrast."

Biden voluntarily allowed the FBI into his home on Friday, but the lack of a warrant did not dim the extraordinary nature of the search. It compounded the embarrassment to Biden that started in earlier in January with the disclosure that the president's lawyers had found a "small number" of classified records at a former office at the Penn Biden Center in Washington shortly before the Nov. 8 elections.

The White House has disclosed that Biden's team found classified documents and official records on four occasions in recent months — on Nov. 2 at the offices of the Penn Biden Center in Washington, and then in follow-up searches Dec. 20 in the garage of his Wilmington home, and Jan. 11 and 12 in his home library.

The discoveries have become a political liability as Biden prepares to kick off his 2024 reelection bid, and they undercut his efforts to portray an image of propriety to the American public after the tumultuous presidency of his predecessor, Trump.

Manchin excoriated both men for their handling of sensitive security documents.

"It's just hard to believe that in the United States of America, we have a former president and a current president that are basically in the same situation," he said. "How does this happen?"

At the same time, Democrats worried that Biden's travails have created an opening for newly empowered House Republicans.

"We have to worry, since this new group that has taken control of the House of Representatives has promised endless investigations, confrontations, impeachments and chaos, what is going to happen," Durbin said.

The new chairman of the House Oversight and Accountability Committee, Rep. James Comer, R-Ky., said he took Biden "at his word when the first set of documents were found. ... But now this is gone from just simply being irresponsible to downright scary."

The Justice Department says Trump took hundreds of records marked classified on leaving the White House and resisted months of requests to return them.

Durbin appeared on CNN's "State of the Union," Manchin was on CNN and NBC's "Meet the Press" and Comer was interviewed on Fox News Channel's "Sunday Morning Futures."

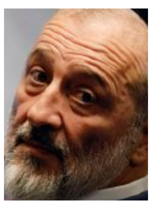
Israel PM Netanyahu fires key Cabinet ally, heeding court ruling

By Tia Goldenberg
Associated Press

TEL AVIV, Israel — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu fired a key Cabinet ally on Sunday, heeding a Supreme Court ruling commanding him to do so and deepening a rift over the power of the courts.

Netanyahu announced he was firing Aryeh Deri, who serves as Interior and Health Minister, at a meeting of his Cabinet. Israel's Supreme Court decided last week Deri could not serve as a Cabinet minister because of a conviction last year over tax offenses.

The court ruling came as Israel is mired in a dispute over the power of the judiciary. Netanyahu's far-right government wants to weaken the Supreme Court, limit judicial oversight and grant more power to politicians. Critics say the move upends the country's system of checks and balances and imperils Israel's democratic fundamentals.



Deri

According to his office, Netanyahu told Deri he was removing him from his post with "a heavy heart and great sorrow."

"This unfortunate decision ignores the people's will," Netanyahu told Deri. "I intend to find any legal way for you to continue to contribute to the state of Israel."

Deri has long been a kingmaker in Israeli politics and has become a key ally of Netanyahu's who has relied on him repeatedly to join his governments and back his agenda.

Netanyahu's government, the most right-wing in Israeli history, has made overhauling the country's judiciary a centerpiece of its agenda. It says a power imbalance has given judges and government legal advisers too much sway over lawmaking and governance. Critics say the overhaul could help Netanyahu, himself on trial for corruption charges, evade conviction or see his trial disappear entirely.

The plan has drawn fierce criticism from top legal officials, the chief justice of the Supreme Court, former lawmakers and tens of thousands of Israelis who have come out repeatedly to protest the overhaul.

In a move that was seen as crucial to bringing the governing coalition together, Israeli legislators last month changed a law that prohibited a convict on probation from being a Cabinet minister. That cleared the way for Deri to join the government but prompted the Supreme Court challenge.

Deri has faced legal problems in the past. He was sentenced to three years in prison in 2000 for bribery, fraud and breach of trust during a stint as interior minister in the 1990s. He served 22 months in prison but made a political comeback in 2013.

House panel on China stoking fear

Increase in bigotry possible, some Asian Americans believe

By Rachel Oswald
CQ-Roll Call

Rep. Grace Meng, D-N.Y., said that a new Republican-led House committee on China could "promote policies and language that endanger Chinese Americans and people of Asian descent living in the U.S." **CAROLINE BREHMAN/CQ-ROLL CALL 2021**

The newly established bipartisan House select committee tasked with studying strategic challenges coming from the Chinese government has aroused concerns in the Asian American community that lawmakers may wind up fueling anti-Chinese bigotry and broader anti-Asian discrimination in the United States.

The new committee, officially called the "Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party," was established this month by a vote of 365-65, making it one of the first House votes of the 118th Congress under Republican leadership to receive broad bipartisan backing.

While the 16-member committee, to be led by Rep. Mike Gallagher, R-Wis., won't have any legislative jurisdiction, it will be tasked with making policy recommendations by year's end on how to respond to Beijing's "economic, technological, and security progress and its competition with the United States."

The committee's membership list has not yet been announced, nor have initial topics for public hearings been described. Still, the formation of the panel has sparked fresh concerns among some Democrats who voted against its establishment, as well as some within the Asian American community, about how the panel could potentially be used to spread anti-Chinese and anti-Asian paranoia and discrimination.

"I have concerns with the potential direction that Republicans could take this select committee, including using this platform to promote policies and language that endanger Chinese Americans and people of Asian descent living in the U.S.," Rep. Grace Meng, D-N.Y., who is the vice chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, said in a statement.

In the last Congress, Meng saw her COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act become law. The measure is aimed at combating xenophobia and violence against Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders.

Documented hate crimes against the Asian American community, as well as other individuals who were mistaken for having Asian heritage, skyrocketed during the 2020-21 peak pandemic period amid remarks by former President Donald Trump and others on the far right that blamed the Chinese government for creating the deadly virus.

"Unfortunately, as we have seen in targeted attacks, some aren't distinguishing between the CCP and Asian Americans who are simply going about their daily lives," said Meng, who is Taiwanese American. "Careless rhetoric can give way to dangerous assumptions which people can, and sadly, have acted upon as we witnessed in Indiana."

Meng was referring to an incident this month in which an 18-year-old Indiana University student, who is Asian, was stabbed repeatedly in her head as she rode a public bus. The student's accused attacker reportedly told authorities she did it because it "would be one less person to blow up our country."

Democratic Rep. Andy Kim of New Jersey, who is Korean American and voted to establish the China Select Committee, said he has heard from "many Asian Americans around this country" who have called him in recent weeks to say they are "really terrified about what direction" the new select committee might take, fearing it could lead to a new "witch hunt."

Kim, who hopes to be appointed to the committee, said he believes it is imperative for the panel to take these concerns into account, particularly by making sure Asian Americans are invited to testify before it.

Kim, a member of the House Armed Services and Foreign Affairs committees in the last Congress, said his own experience of ethnic discrimination when he worked at the State Department has made him sensitive to the issues with which the select committee will be grappling. That includes trying to balance legitimate national security concerns with respecting fundamental American civil rights.

"I received a letter one day that notified me that I was now banned from working on issues related to Korea because of my descent — and I wasn't even trying to work on issues in Korea," Kim recounted. "The way it felt to me was that they couldn't trust me 100%."

In a January floor speech, Gallagher, a former Marine intelligence officer who is seen as one of the rising national security leaders in his caucus, emphasized his intention for the committee to focus on the threats posed by the Chinese Communist Party — not to demonize the Chinese people.

"We need to have a united front here in Congress to counter the Chinese Communist Party, and in so doing, at every step along the way, we must make sure that we are drawing a distinction between the party and the Chinese people, with whom we have no quarrel and who are often the primary victims of CCP aggression and repression," Gallagher said.

In a Sunday interview with Fox News, Speaker Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., emphasized his desire for the committee to focus on ways to help the United States better economically compete with China.

"One hundred forty-six Democrats joined with us to create a new select committee on China, that we can bring those jobs back from China to America, that America will speak with one voice," he said.

John Yang, the executive director of Asian Americans Advancing Justice, a civil rights organization, said given the committee's full name and remarks made by McCarthy and others, he is cautiously optimistic that House leaders will be careful not to platform anti-Chinese xenophobia and anti-Asian bias.

"The naming of the committee, the fact that they recognize that it is the Chinese Communist Party that is a concern and not just China writ large, is a cause for hope," said Yang. "What we are going to be watching is if they are serious about foreign relations and economic issue versus people who just want to use this as an opportunity to make speeches and grandstand."

Frank Wu, who in 2020 became the first Asian American to be appointed president of Queens College in New York, doesn't think the new select committee is needed or likely to be helpful. He pointed to recent failed efforts during the Trump administration to weed out and crack down on instances of illicit Chinese government-linked economic espionage.

Those include the Justice Department's "China Initiative," which brought criminal prosecutions against roughly two dozen scientific researchers with Chinese backgrounds. Many of those cases ending up being dismissed, or the defendants acquitted. Attorney General Merrick Garland ended the initiative last year.

Former White House COVID-19 response coordinator Jeff Zients is reportedly President Joe Biden's pick for a new White House chief of staff. **PETE MAROVICH/THE NEW YORK TIMES 2021**

Biden said ready to tap Zients as White House chief of staff

By Peter Baker, Katie Rogers and Michael D. Shear
The New York Times

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden plans to name Jeffery Zients, his former coronavirus response coordinator, as the next White House chief of staff heading into a critical new phase as he confronts a Republican House and is expected to kick off a reelection campaign, people familiar with the decision said Sunday.

Zients will replace Ron Klain, who has run Biden's White House since the president took office two years ago and is preparing to step down sometime after the State of the Union address Feb. 7.

The change at the top may presage other personnel shifts in the coming weeks and months as the White House gears up for the 2024 election.

An entrepreneur and management consultant who organized the largest vaccination campaign in American history, Zients is widely respected in Biden circles as a strong and capable technocratic leader, but he has little of the political experience of a typical chief of staff heading into a reelection.

His selection suggests that the president may lean on Zients to help run the government while other advisers focus on the politics of winning a second term.

Several other more politically seasoned advisers are expected to take up some of the numerous duties handled by Klain, including Anita Dunn, a senior adviser to the president; Steven J. Ricchetti, his White House counselor; and Jennifer O'Malley Dillon, a deputy chief of staff.

It was not clear whether that shift in responsibilities will be formally announced or more of an informal understanding.

Zients' selection, reported earlier by The Washington Post, did not come as much of a surprise, according to several administration officials, who said that he had long been discussed as a possible replacement for Klain.

After stepping down as a coronavirus response coordinator last spring, Zients stayed in the president's orbit, leading a search for possible staff members who could serve during the second half of Biden's term as officials leave or shift to the reelection effort.

Zients has long been trusted with overseeing major personnel decisions. He is the one who reached out to Jen Psaki, a former White House communications director for President Barack Obama, and suggested that she come work for Biden's administration as his press secretary.

Sen. Chris Coons of Delaware, a close Biden confidant, said Sunday that he would not comment on whether Zients had been hired but praised Zients' skills.

"He's got a lot of the same sort of skills and talent that made Ron Klain so successful," Coons said.

Zients was considered the best choice for what aides expect will be a challenging period inside the White House.

He will take over at a time when a special counsel has been appointed to investigate the mishandling of classified documents discovered at Biden's private office and Wilmington, Delaware, home.

As Haitian gangs gain power, policeman's family is shaken

By Megan Janetsky
Associated Press

National police work on a street Saturday in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Three officers died and one was reported missing after a Friday firefight with a gang in the city. **ODELYN JOSEPH/AP**

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Every day when Marie Carmel Daniel's husband put on his flak vest and walked out the door for another day of fighting Haiti's gangs, she wondered if he would come home that night.

Friday was the day her smiling spouse of 18 years, Ricken Staniclasse, didn't.

One of the country's nearly 200 gangs ambushed his police unit that morning, sending gunfire echoing through the streets in an unexpected area — a mansion-lined stretch of the country's capital, Port-au-Prince.

A gang led by Lionel Lazarre battled the police patrol in the sweltering Caribbean heat as officers desperately called for backup. But help never came, the country's police union said.

The fighting killed three officers, hospitalized a fourth with bullet wounds and left the 44-year-old Staniclasse missing.

Daniel, meanwhile, was terrified for herself and their three children.

"My husband was fighting a lot with the gangs, and we don't know what could happen to us," Daniel, 43, said while curled up on her couch surrounded by neighbors. "I can't sleep at the house anymore because I don't know what could happen to us."

The firefight was just the latest example of how Haitian gangs have grown in power and expanded in reach, leaving much of the population terrorized.

While the United Nations estimates that 60% of Port-au-Prince is controlled by the gangs, nowadays most Haitians reckon that number is closer to 100%.

Haiti has struggled with endemic gang violence for years, but the country spiraled into lawlessness after the 2021 killing of former President Jovenel Moïse.

Powerful gangs have taken advantage of the political chaos and discontent with the current government led by Prime Minister Ariel Henry to further consolidate their control.

The government has failed to ease the violence, forcing many to flee. News of rapes, kidnappings and ambushes on police has become the new norm.

Jolicoeur Allande Serge, director of the police unit that was attacked, said the Friday blitz in the Petion-Ville neighborhood was a sign of that. He noted that moving into upper class areas "benefits (the gangs') economic interests."

Kidnappings and ransoms as high as $1 million have been a key part of the financing for such armed groups.

Meanwhile, police units struggle to keep up. While Canada and the United States have sent armored vehicles and other supplies to Haiti, law enforcement officials say it is just a fraction of what they need.

Tensions remained high Saturday, and in the afternoon Serge stood among a pack of armored trucks dented by bullet strikes. Officers holding automatic weapons, their faces covered by black masks, bustled about.

A group of 50 officers was returning to the area where they fought Friday night to try to break a gang blockade and search for the missing officer, Staniclasse.

"I lost three men … We're not scared. We're frustrated because we don't have enough equipment to fight," Serge said. "We need ammo, helmets, armored vehicles."

Analysts expect the bloodshed to get worse, especially after Haiti's final 10 elected officers ended their Senate terms in early January, leaving the parliament and presidency unfilled because the government has failed to hold elections.

Critics say that has turned Haiti into a "de facto dictatorship."

People like Marie Carmel Daniel feel hope drain for their country.

Daniel said her husband always hoped he could help clean up his city.

But two years ago, violence began to get so bad in their neighborhood that they applied for a visa to migrate to the United States.

They never got a reply.

"I don't know if he's alive or dead, but I'm worried," she said. "If we were able to leave the country, my husband would be alive."

NEWS BRIEFING

US ambassador to UN heading to Africa as Biden woos continent

From news services

UNITED NATIONS — The U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Linda Thomas-Greenfield, is the second Cabinet member heading to Africa as part of President Joe Biden's big push to engage with the world's second-largest continent.

The U.S. Mission to the U.N. said Sunday she will travel to Ghana, Mozambique and Kenya starting Jan. 25 "to affirm and strengthen our partnerships with key current and former U.N. Security Council members."

Thomas-Greenfield's visit follows last week's start of a 10-day African visit by Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen. She arrived in Dakar, Senegal, late Wednesday and will also visit Zambia and South Africa.

Biden announced at the end of a U.S.-Africa Leaders Summit in December that he will visit sub-Saharan Africa in 2023, the first trip to the region by a U.S. leader in a decade.

The summit and trip are aimed at strengthening U.S. relations with Africa, where China has surpassed the U.S. in trade and is aiming to increase its military presence, and Russia has military ties with the authorities in Mali and Central African Republic.

Biden stressed at the summit that he is serious about increasing U.S. attention to the continent and told the 49 African leaders attending the meeting in Washington that "Africa belongs at the table" in every conversation of global consequences.

The first stop on the trip for Thomas-Greenfield, a former U.S. assistant secretary of state for Africa, is Ghana, which is in the second year of a two-year term as an elected member of the U.N. Security Council.

Syria building collapse: A building collapsed in a neighborhood in Syria's northern city of Aleppo early Sunday, killing at least 16 people, including one child, and injuring four others, state media reported.

The five-story building, housing about 30 people, was in the Sheikh Maksoud neighborhood under the control of the U.S.-backed Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces. It collapsed overnight, according to the report, after water leakages weakened the structure's foundation.

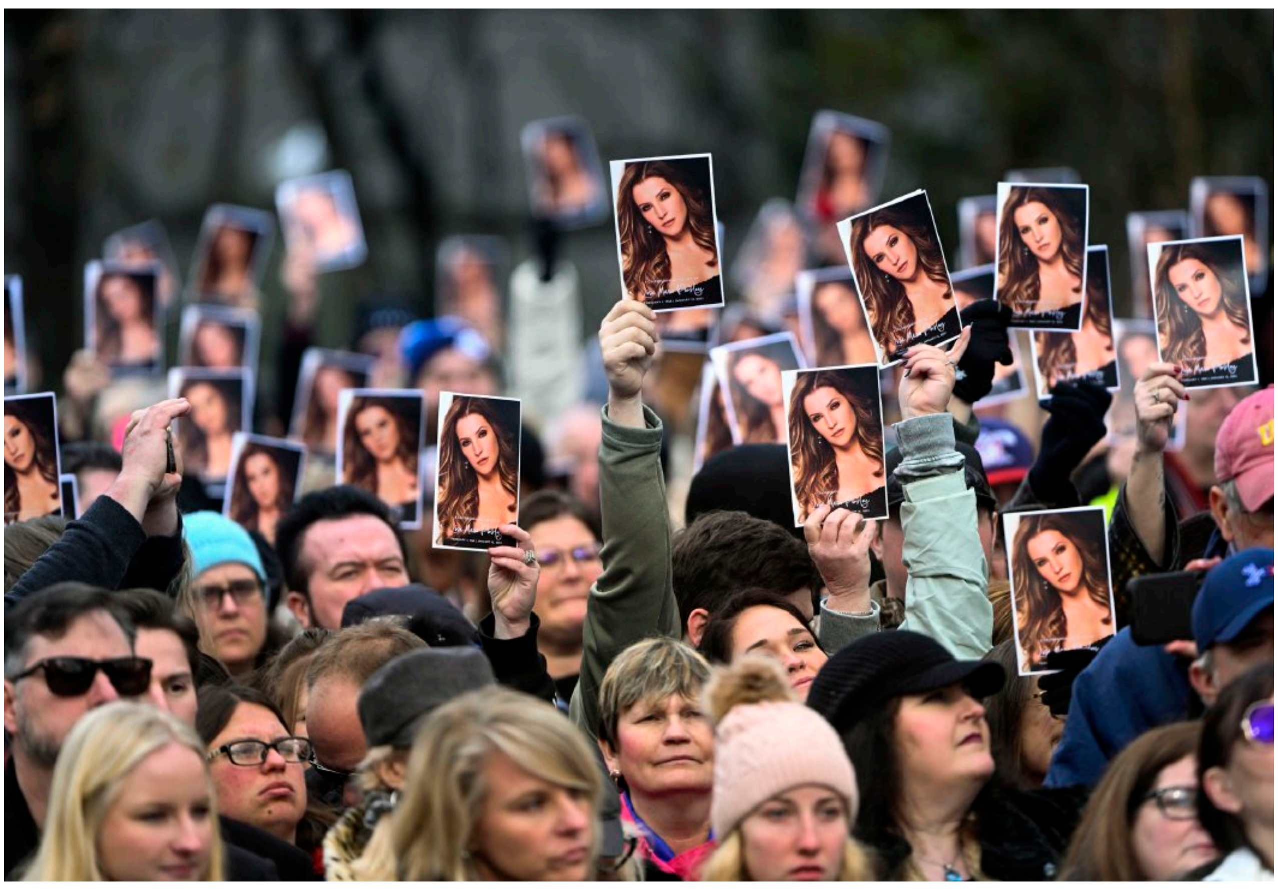
Dozens of firefighters, first responders and residents covered in debris and dust were searching through the rubble for the remaining residents with drills and a bulldozer.

Some relatives of the tenants waited anxiously nearby, while others mourned at the entrance of a nearby hospital as the bodies arrived in ambulances and in the backs of trucks.

Syrian Democratic Forces Commander Mazloum Abdi in a statement condemned the Syrian government forces that control the neighborhoods surrounding Sheikh Maksoud for "banning for years the entry of basic materials into the neighborhood, obstructing efforts to stabilize and restore life in the area."

Protests in Turkey: Outrage over a Quran-burning protest in Sweden produced a second day of protests in Turkey, reflecting tensions between the two countries.

Some 250 people gathered outside the Swedish Consulate in Istanbul, where a photo of Danish anti-Islam activist Rasmus Paludan was set on fire. Paludan burned Islam's holy book outside the Turkish Embassy in Stockholm on Saturday, sparking protests in Istanbul and Ankara that night.



Visitors hold photos as a service for Lisa Marie Presley comes to an end Sunday at Graceland in Memphis, Tenn. Presley died Jan. 12 and was buried on the property next to her son Benjamin Keough and near her father, Elvis Presley. Among those who spoke at the service were Lisa Marie's mother, actress Priscilla Presley, and Sarah Ferguson, the Duchess of York. **JOHN AMIS/AP**

Participants in Sunday's event carried green flags featuring the Islamic proclamation of faith and banner that said "We condemn Sweden's state-supported Islamophobia." A sign on a window of the Swedish Consulate read, "We do not share that book-burning idiot's view."

The protests have renewed concerns about Turkey holding up Sweden and Finland's bid to join NATO. Turkey has not yet ratified the Nordic nations' memberships in the military alliance, saying Sweden needs to address Ankara's security concerns.

Turkish officials slammed Sweden for allowing the Quran-burning protest, but President Recep Tayyip Erdogan did not comment on it during his weekend speeches.

Swedish Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson tweeted late Saturday that freedom of expression was crucial to democracy but added that "what is legal is not necessarily appropriate."

Somalia killings: Al-Qaida-linked extremists stormed a regional government office in Somalia's capital Sunday, and five civilians were killed, the government said.

The founder of the Aamin ambulance service, Abdulkadir Adan, told The Associated Press his team collected 16 wounded people from the scene.

The al-Shabab extremist group claimed responsibility for the assault on the Banadir Regional Administration headquarters in Mogadishu.

A staff member at the headquarters said the attack began with a suicide bombing before gunmen entered and exchanged fire with security guards. The staffer, Mustafa Abdulle, said most of the workers were rescued by security forces.

Al-Shabab often carries out attacks in Mogadishu. The federal government last year declared "total war" on the extremist group and has retaken a number of communities the fighters had controlled in central and southern Somalia.

Papal plea: Pope Francis on Sunday made an impassioned plea, delivered partly in Spanish, for an end to violence in Peru over demands for the resignation of the country's president.

Addressing some 15,000 people gathered in St. Peter's Square for his weekly appearance at a window of the Apostolic Palace, Francis said: "I invite (you) to pray so that the acts of violence cease in Peru."

"Violence extinguishes hope for a just solution to the problems," the pontiff said. "I encourage all sides involved to take up the path of dialogue among brothers in the same nation, in the full respect of human rights and of the rule of law."

Noting that he was joining in an appeal of Peruvian bishops, Francis switched from Italian to Spanish to exclaim: "No to violence, from whatever part it comes! No more deaths!"

Records mistake: A county in Washington inadvertently released nearly half a million partial Social Security numbers when responding to a routine public records request in December, according to county officials.

The Pierce County Auditor's Office, which mistakenly released the sensitive data, said in a news release that the human error was quickly spotted and that the person who received the SSN digits deleted them within two hours. The requester had not asked for the personal information.

Social Security number information was included in a routine request for publicly available voter registration data, which typically includes names, addresses and birth dates. Personally identifiable information, including Social Security number information, which can be used to commit identify theft, is exempt from public disclosure.

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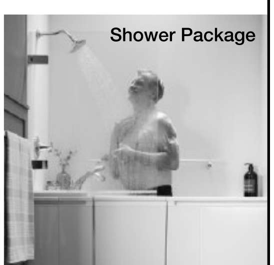

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ARTS & LIVING

Erica Stephan, center, stars as Sally Bowles in the Porchlight Music Theatre production of "Cabaret." **LIZ LAUREN PHOTOS**

REVIEW 'CABARET' ★★★½

The best show of the year so far

Porchlight Music Theatre production features a knockout Sally Bowles

By Chris Jones
Chicago Tribune

In Porchlight Music Theatre's intimate production of the beloved Kander and Ebb musical "Cabaret," the best Chicago show so far in 2023, there will be little you have seen before.

This is notable because so many things have been tried with this particular title. A sparkling Sally Bowles has to compete with the luminous memory of Liza Minnelli in the movie. A traumatized Sally always recalls the stunning performance by the late Natasha Richardson in Sam Mendes' 1998 Broadway revival, a nihilistic, terrifying piece of acting that haunts me still.

That profoundly conceptual production lasted for some six years, toured all over and also introduced one Alan Cumming, whose brilliantly homoerotic take on the Emcee cast a broad Scottish shadow on that role for decades to come. Everyone knew Joel Grey's cool, cynical take, but Cumming seduced his audiences and poured them a drink as they drowned in their own complicity. Many are the subsequent "Cabarets" that borrowed something from that revival. Almost every time.

Josh Walker (as the Emcee) and the cast of "Cabaret."

But that's really not true of director Michael Weber's notably fresh and compelling new production, which is the work of highly experienced artists who have worked together often. You don't easily see where Weber's direction ends and Brenda Didier's tightly wound choreography begins, and Linda Madonia's musical direction holds it all together. All three of them know what the Ruth Page Center can and cannot easily do. They find a lot of physical depth here in their space, but Porchlight needs a bigger theater. I believe there is one open on Lincoln Avenue, but that's a story for another day.

Right now, this Chicago-based trio is featuring a lead performance from Erica Stephan that deserves to introduce her to a much broader swatch of Chicago theatergoers than those of us who know and admire her already. She's simply a knockout Sally Bowles: vulnerable, empathetic, restless, relentless and pitch-perfect to boot. It's also an

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Daddario's dark turn

Actor who started her career in action roles stars as a surgeon reckoning with opposing forces in 'Mayfair Witches'

By Sarah Bahr
The New York Times

Despite much evidence to the contrary, Alexandra Daddario still does not consider herself a famous person.

But there are moments when she is reminded, as she was on a chilly day in November, at a cafe and juice bar in Manhattan's West Village in New York City. A college-age woman approached the table, as giddy as she was effusive.

"Excuse me," the young woman said. "I've literally seen you in 'The White Lotus.' You're my favorite actress."

Daddario's eyes widened in genuine surprise. She glanced around, as if to verify that there were, in fact, no other "White Lotus" actors in the cafe.

But of course not. There was only this woman whom millions watched in her Emmy-nominated performance as Rachel in the first season of the HBO series "The White Lotus." This woman who is taking her first lead in a major TV series — AMC's "Anne Rice's Mayfair Witches," now airing Sundays — in which she plays Dr. Rowan Fielding (an adopted last name, in a departure from the novels), a neurosurgeon who discovers that she is descended from the family of Mayfair witches.

Daddario smiled, stood up and put her arm around the woman. She clicked into red-carpet mode as the woman's friend clicked a picture on her phone.

This was familiar territory for Daddario, 36, who is no stranger to successful self-curation. Her Instagram, with nearly 23 million followers, is full of tasteful photos of herself in Paris, at home in Los Angeles with her new husband, on vacation in the infinity pool — a careful mix of #inspo and sex appeal that marks the expert millennial influencer. Call it cheugy, call it smart; either way, she appears to be doing something right.

But after a string of action-adventure roles — demigod Annabeth Chase in two "Percy Jackson" movies, intrepid lifeguard Summer Quinn in the 2017 "Baywatch" film — Daddario's choice of characters in recent years, and her persuasiveness in inhabiting them, speak of greater depths. Like Rachel, who faces anguish over recent big decisions, Rowan must also reckon with opposing forces inside her. There is darkness to her that belies her comely exterior.

It was that complexity, Daddario said, that drew her to the new AMC series, based on Rice's Lives of the Mayfair Witches horror trilogy from the 1990s.

"If you were given powers, what would you do?" she asked. "Would you be able to control yourself and do only good? I don't know if any of us can say yes."

Series showrunner and creator

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Alexandra Daddario, seen Nov. 22, stars as Dr. Rowan Fielding in "Anne Rice's Mayfair Witches." **THEA TRAFF/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

CELEBRITIES

Actor changes it up on new series

From news services

"This is Us" star Milo Ventimiglia is returning to television with "The Company You Keep." **KEVIN WINTER/GETTY 2022**

Milo Ventimiglia was looking to change things up after six seasons on NBC's "This is Us" — both physically and professionally. He found that opportunity with the ABC series "The Company You Keep," a high-stakes romance story that's a remake of a Korean drama, "My Fellow Citizens."

Ventimiglia plays Charlie, a successful and stylish con artist who needs to pay off a large debt to a dangerous man. He meets a CIA agent named Emma (Catherine Haena Kim). Each tries to keep their identity from the other while their entanglement grows as they face external dangers because of their jobs.

Speaking to journalists at a recent event for TV critics, Ventimiglia said it was nice to play someone closer to himself, living in the present day — where he could lose Jack Pearson's facial hair and clothes. He relished the opportunity to shave and not "pull my pants up a little higher because it's the '80s."

"I couldn't just put on a character anymore. I just had to do this and just be myself," he said.

He hasn't completely left "This is Us" behind, though: Ventimiglia, who is also an executive producer on the series, said he brought roughly "90% of the 'This is Us' crew" to work on "The Company You Keep."

The new series will premiere Feb. 19.

Blanchard gets Lincoln Center celebration: Terence Blanchard, the first Black composer whose work has been heard at the Metropolitan Opera, will be given a yearlong celebration at Lincoln Center starting in March.

The Met, New York Philharmonic, Jazz at Lincoln Center, Film at Lincoln Center, the Juilliard School and the New York Public Library for the Performing Arts will focus on compositions by trumpeter Blanchard.

"I thought I was going to be a jazz musician writing for jazz ensembles all my life," Blanchard, 60, said during an interview. "When I look back now, there were amazing opportunities that came my way, and those have just opened the doors to others."

Blanchard is a two-time Oscar nominee and five-time Grammy winner. His 2019 opera "Fire Shut Up in My Bones" sold out eight performances at the Met in 2021 and is being revived for the 2023-24 season.

Dancer Duncan dies: Arthur Duncan, who kept tap dancing visible on TV and broke ground as a Black entertainer, has died at age 97. He died from complications related to a stroke and pneumonia Jan. 4 at a care center near his California home.

Duncan was best known for his 18-year run on "The Lawrence Welk Show" as the only Black cast member, and is widely regarded as a trailblazer for mainstream TV variety shows. During his tenure on the series from 1964 to 1982, Duncan was virtuoso tap dancing at a time when the art form had become virtually invisible.

His career also included appearances on TV shows, in films and in theaters.

Jan. 23 birthdays: Actor Lou Antonio is 89. Vibraphonist Gary Burton is 80. Musician Bill Cunningham is 73. Actor Richard Dean Anderson is 73. Musician Robin Zander is 70. Actor Gail O'Grady is 60. Actor Mariska Hargitay is 59. Singer Marc Nelson is 52. Journalist Norah O'Donnell is 49. Actor Tiffani Thiessen is 49.

ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson

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Interest in Beanie Babies worries Grandma

Dear Amy: I am a retired woman. I find joy in the simple things in life: taking walks around my property and collecting things like Beanie Babies, some of which are valuable. This is where the problem lies.

I have two granddaughters, both in their late teens, who come over from time to time. They eye my collection, and instead of seeing collectibles, I am afraid that they see dollar signs.

At first, they were rather reluctant, having an attitude toward me, shutting themselves in my guest room and burying themselves in their cellphones.

However, when they took note of my Beanie Baby collection, things changed. Now when they visit, they are cheerful, engaging me in pleasant conversation and helping me around the house.

I would like to believe that they are simply maturing, but a part of me is afraid that they are being nice to get at my collection. I would like to give them the benefit of the doubt, but am I being naive?

— *Suspicious Grandma*

Dear Grandma: The whole collectible Beanie Baby phenomenon is either a very weird valuation "bubble" of sorts, or a genuine gold mine — depending on what Beanie Babies you possess and what source you check to determine their value.

Your attitude toward your granddaughters is … less than ideal. Of course these teens are interested in this collection of yours! Isn't this something you have in common?

You could connect with them by enlisting their help to research the value of some of these toys.

Questions to ask yourself are: Do you view these toys as an investment, with plans to try to sell them someday? Or do you simply enjoy the process of collecting them? How do you imagine that your granddaughters would "get at" your collection? Do you believe they are hoping that you will give them some of these collectibles, or leave these toys to them after your death? Do you fear that they will be tempted to take them?

I suggest that you choose to see your granddaughters as being like the most valuable Beanie Babies in your collection: in pristine condition, complete with their original tags.

If you expressed as much interest toward them as you have invested in your collection, your relationship would be more solid, and you might be closer and more confident about their motives.

Dear Amy: As an adoptee and a birth parent, I have to correct your advice to "Anguished Aunt," the sister who disregarded her brother's wishes to have contact with his biological daughter.

Going against her brother's wishes to connect with his daughter was bad enough. Please do not encourage her to violate his wishes again by getting the grandmother involved. This sister has no sense of boundaries, and I doubt she knows when to stop.

If he were dead, I'd say go for it, but he is the father, and while he's alive, it is his choice. This is his life, his daughter, his decision.

DNA results can open up pain and resentment once thought (and often promised) forever in a vault.

— *Anonymous*

Dear Anonymous: Thank you for offering your perspective. Other readers agree with you.

This was not described as a case of a child surrendered for adoption with sealed records, but of a biological father who simply did not know he had fathered a daughter, 40 years ago.

The adult daughter was finding and welcoming contact with her biological family members — as it is anyone's right to try to do.

The biological father did not want to have any relationship with her, which is his choice to make. But he also didn't want any of his family members to have a relationship with her.

In my opinion, he should not be able to control all contact with other biological family members.

They are all adults, and should be permitted to try to form relationships with one another, if they choose.

Dear Amy: The questions you receive about weddings — and controlling "Bridezillas" — astound me. Thank you for quoting Miss Manners recently: "Wedding guests are people, not props."

— *Grateful*

Dear Grateful: Miss Manners is a true fount of timeless wisdom. I borrow from the best.

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Film radical exercise in finding 'way forward'

'Women Talking' chance to remake rules of industry

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press

When Sarah Polley has flown from her home in Toronto to the U.S. for her film "Women Talking," she has had conversations with customs officials that usually go something like this.

"What are you here for?"

"I'm screening a film."

"What's the name of the film?"

"Women Talking."

"Then I get either the biggest eye roll you've ever seen or I get something openly confrontational like, 'I've had enough of that in my life. I'm not going to see that movie,' " Polley says. "Then I have to decide whether to take the bait and risk not getting into the country."

Sometimes, she does take the bait. The title, she notes, isn't "Women Shouting" or "Women Berating." And yet she has found it's often received like a confrontation.

"One guy I asked: 'So if I told you there was this movie called "12 Angry Men," would you feel the same way?' " Polley, the filmmaker and actor, 43, said recently. "He was like, 'I don't know.' And I was like, 'Well, I think you should just sit with that then. I still want to get into the country, I'm just saying to sit with that.' "

Simple as its title may be, "Women Talking," now in theaters, is a radical work, in both its subject matter and execution. It's adapted from Miriam Toews' 2018 novel, loosely based on real events, about an ultra-conservative Mennonite colony in Bolivia where many of the village's women gather in a hayloft to discuss a deeply alarming revelation: Men in their colony have been drugging and raping them in their sleep.

Director and writer Sarah Polley is seen on the set of "Women Talking," based on the 2018 novel by Miriam Toews. **UNITED ARTISTS**

The conversation that unspools among the women (the ensemble includes Claire Foy, Jessie Buckley, Rooney Mara, Judith Ivey, Sheila McCarthy and Ben Wishaw as the lone man in the room) is riven with questions of justice, fate and spirituality. Should they stay or leave? Remake the community or start it anew?

Specific as the circumstances are, the dialogue — at turns furious, anguished, ruminative and hopeful — more properly takes place in a realm of fable. "Women Talking" could be anywhere, anytime. The conflicting points of view could even be one woman's inner monologue. It's a story that reverberates with the present realities of #MeToo, yet it's also archetypal, out of time.

"I'm really curious about a way forward," says Polley. "I'm really curious about what it feels like to not judge myself if and when anger comes up, to just not live there. What healing looks like and what building something better looks like."

It was that forward-looking nature in "Women Talking" that first struck Frances McDormand, a producer of the film who also plays a small role. After reading Toews' book, McDormand sent it to Dede Gardner, the Oscar-winning producer and president of Plan B Entertainment.

"When I read it, I was really confused about the conversation around predatory abuse, predatory abuse of power, what hadn't changed and what seemed to be literally in reversal from when I was an idealistic, broad-eyed, bushy-tailed feminist at 17," McDormand says. "All the things I thought were possible seemed to be shifting."

"Miriam framed the conversation about the future," McDormand adds. "Not about the past or about the murky present, but a bright future where the rules can change."

As the production took shape, with Polley writing the script, "Women Talking" itself became an opportunity to challenge and remake the largely male-written rules of the film industry. Polley has had three children in the decade since directing her last film. She wanted to foster a more humane working environment, with child care, reasonable hours and open dialogue.

"We literally made a wish list: If it could be a Utopian world, what would it look like?" says McDormand. "… I really love Dede's answer for this. She says: It's not that hard to do. You just bake it into the budget. I think it's a really great phrase that we need to use in the industry more. You bake shorter days. You bake the idea that the entire crew should not be sacrificing their personal lives for the making of the film. It's not cancer research."

Foy entered a film environment unlike any she had encountered before.

"It wasn't like it was an all-female set or anything like that," says Foy. "But it was the first time I had done anything from a female perspective and about something women experience as it is, as opposed to how it's been in movies that are directed by people who aren't women. There are basically three generations of actors on that set and all of them were doing it for the first time — which is, I don't think, necessarily a glowing report of the film industry."

A title card at the start of "Women Talking" describes it as "an act of female imagination." Often, that imagination was inspired by real-life experience that filtered into the movie. A second or simultaneous dialogue transpired during the film's making as the troupe shared stories with one another. A therapist specializing in trauma after sexual assault was present on set.

"These conversations would happen with people of all genders on our set, and we would come to a better place through everyone's collective experience," says Polley. "Those were, for me, the most magical moments."

Outside of the frequently fractious public #MeToo debates, "Women Talking" found a sustained conversation forged on togetherness, mutual respect and the possibility of creating a new path forward.

"It was magical, basically," says Foy. "It was a magical, if not harrowing and sometimes very difficult, experience. But it was, like, the whole reason anyone does this for a living."

The actors reached the hayloft by one of two staircases. It was, McDormand says, like entering a sacred space. For McDormand, the experience making "Women Talking" felt like forging something new in a film industry that has made strides in women behind the camera, but one where a film like "Women Talking" is still a clear exception.

Just getting "Women Talking" — shot during the pandemic after a year delay — made was an accomplishment. To Polley, more heart-rending was that it proved that such a conversation is possible to have, in a hayloft or anywhere else.

"It felt so Utopian at so many points that I think it shifted my worldview," says Polley. "I just feel so much less cynical after going through this experience."

NOW PLAYING

Reviews of movies showing in theaters or streaming online

'ALICE, DARLING': The comma makes all the difference in the title "Alice, Darling." It's not an endearment, but rather, depending on what's next, could be a request, a behest, an entreaty, perhaps even a demand, an order or a backhanded compliment. The title's grammatical structure is a clever bit of wordplay to signify the ways in which words can have different meanings and different results, depending on how they're used. This is especially apt for this indie drama in which Anna Kendrick plays a woman reckoning with an emotionally and verbally abusive relationship. 1:30. 2 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh, Tribune News Service*

'AVATAR: THE WAY OF WATER': As with most James Cameron blockbusters, including the first "Avatar," this film has a way of pulling you in, surrounding you with gorgeous, violent chaos and finishing with a quick rinse to get the remnants of its teeny-tiny plot out of your eyes by the final credits. It's 10 years later. Sully (Sam Worthington), now blue and 10 feet tall, is full-on Na'vi with a family including his mate, Neytiri (Zoe Saldana), and three kids. Sigourney Weaver, whose character died in the first "Avatar," returns in the role of the adopted teenage daughter, Kiri. Death is just a pause for a change of clothes in this universe. Cameron fills three hours of screen time, with another 10 minutes or so for credits, with what feels like a single, extended, not-quite-"real," not really animated but impressively sustained feat of visual gratification, if you don't mind the cruelty-to-undersea-creatures parts. 3:10. 3 stars. — *Michael Phillips, Chicago Tribune*

'HOUSE PARTY': Fun fact about Reginald Hudlin's 1990 classic comedy "House Party" starring comedic duo Kid 'n Play: It was selected for preservation in the National Film Registry in the Library of Congress for being "culturally, historically or aesthetically significant," no doubt referring to the high-top fad and iconic kick-step dance that it popularized. It's no wonder that New Line and Warner Bros. fired up the reboot machine for this title some three decades later to give the concept a fresh new 2020s spin, especially with basketball superstar LeBron James on board to develop, produce and appear in the project. The good news is that after a few delays, the "House Party" remake, directed by acclaimed music video and commercial director Calmatic in his feature debut, is in theaters. The bad news is that this one is definitely not headed for the Library of Congress. This comedically and narratively muddled take on the title (not even the original premise) is deeply unfunny and downright tiresome. 1:40. 1 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh*

'A MAN CALLED OTTO': The "Grumpy Old Men" era seems to come for all of our lovable movie stars, including Tom Hanks, who easily slides into this new phase with "A Man Called Otto," a remake of the Oscar-nominated Swedish film, "A Man Called Ove." It's not easy to translate the famously dry and somewhat bleak Scandinavian humor to a sunnier, more optimistic American worldview, but writer David Magee and director Marc Forster manage to maintain the melancholy of the original film, which is based on the book by Swedish author Fredrik Backman. Set in the suburbs of Pittsburgh, "A Man Called Otto" is a story about the loss of human connection in a modernized and rapidly changing world, and the effort it takes to knit a community through the ties that bind: personal ones. It is also a story about the transformative nature of grief, and the beauty and cruelty of life lived in moments both mundane and monumental. 2:06. 2 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh*

Anna Kendrick stars in the indie drama "Alice, Darling." **LIONSGATE**

'M3GAN': A straightforward horror flick that doesn't blink while simultaneously jabbing the audience in the ribs, "M3GAN," more often than not, and indeed, right away, is a comedy before it's a horror movie. It opens with a guffaw, teasing the audience with a laugh before a jarring smash to violence and trauma. The unique tone is anchored by star Allison Williams, who has surprisingly become one of our best horror leading ladies, bringing her signature brand of eerie camp to such films as "Get Out," "The Perfection," and now "M3GAN." Williams' skillful intentional affectlessness renders her characters slippery, difficult to pin down into preordained binaries of good and evil. In "M3GAN," Williams is a Dr. Frankenstein type, playing Gemma, a toy designer with a savant-like skill for robotics. She's toiling over a Purrpetual Petz prototype for her demanding boss at Funki Toys, when she receives the call that her sister and brother-in-law have died in an accident and she's to assume guardianship of her niece, Cady (Violet McGraw). Career-oriented Gemma isn't quite sure how to connect with a kid, and so she revives her scrapped project, M3GAN (played physically by Amie Donald and voiced by Jenna Davis) as a sort of pal for her lonely, grieving niece. 1:42. 3 stars. — *Katie Walsh*

'MISSING': This movie takes some absolutely wild and crazy twists and turns arriving at its destination. College-bound June (Storm Reid), 18, just wants to rage with her friends while her mom, Grace (Nia Long), is on vacation in Colombia with her new boyfriend, Kevin (Ken Leung). But when a hungover June rolls into LAX to pick them up a week later, Grace and Kevin are a no-show. Relying on her impressive Google skills, innate to a digitally native member of Gen Z, June starts searching for her missing mom, combing through tourist live cams, bank statements and hiring a TaskRabbit-type helper, Javi (Joaquim de Almeida), to do footwork on the ground in Colombia. The swift and suspenseful "Missing" plows through nearly two hours of shocking plot twists at a breakneck pace, and while it's entertaining to be sure, it also takes on a somber tone as it reckons with grief, loss and intimate partner violence in a way that's very real, backed up by headlines ripped from the news, and yes, those true-crime series and TikToks that are so very compelling. 1:51. 2 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh*

'PLANE': In the pitch meeting stage, "Plane" carried the title "The Plane," and now it doesn't. All excess cargo, even if it's three letters — out the window! There's too much to handle with this thing already! Extreme turbulence, a lightning strike, a crash landing onto the bullet-strewn island of Sulu in the Philippines ... a commercial airline pilot teaming up with his toughest passenger (a former French Foreign Legion, wanted for murder) to deal with militant separatists and soar once again to freedom ... who says they don't give you anything when you fly basic economy? It's the junky, janky mid-winter Liam Neeson thriller we used to get with that first flip of the calendar, only this one stars Gerard Butler and is directed by Jean-Francois Richet, whose two-part gangster biopic "Mesrine" was pretty juicy. This one's more pulp than juice, but it's enjoyable. 1:47. 3 stars. — *Michael Phillips*

'PUSS IN BOOTS: THE LAST WISH': Eleven years after the "Shrek 2" spinoff "Puss in Boots," the sassy Spanish feline voiced by Antonio Banderas has returned for another fairy-tale-busting adventure, directed by Joel Crawford and Januel Mercado, and written by Paul Fischer (with a story by Tommy Swerdlow and Tom Wheeler). Crawford, Mercado and Fischer all worked on the DreamWorks Animation favorites "Trolls" and "The Croods: A New Age," and the trio bring a similar "chaotic good" energy to "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish," which remixes a new set of familiar nursery rhymes and beloved children's fables to entertaining ends. 1:40. 3 stars. — *Katie Walsh*

RATINGS: The movies listed are rated according to the following key: 4 stars, excellent; 3 stars, good; 2 stars, fair; 1 star, poor.

Daddario

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Alexandra Daddario in New York on Nov. 22. After earning an Emmy nomination for her performance in "The White Lotus," Daddario is taking on her first lead TV role, in AMC's latest Anne Rice adaptation. **THEA TRAFF/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

Esta Spalding, who is an executive producer with Michelle Ashford, pointed to Daddario's versatility as a major factor in their decision to choose her to play Rowan.

"The tricky thing about this part is that she's going to become a witch, but she starts out a surgeon," Spalding said. "So you have to believe this woman is going to stride through the hallways of a hospital and open a person's brain up and do an operation."

Daddario, the daughter of New York lawyers, knew well the pressures and requirements of the white-collar world, too. After attending the Professional Children's School, an Upper West Side institution geared toward aspiring child actors and dancers, she booked her first professional role — as Laurie Lewis on the ABC daytime soap opera "All My Children" — when she was 16. After small TV roles on "Law & Order" and "The Sopranos," her big break came at age 22 when she landed the female lead in "Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief," based on the children's fantasy novels by Rick Riordan.

"Kids are such a great fan base," she said. "They don't judge the movie harshly because they don't know any better than to just love the characters."

Her experience on "Percy Jackson," she said, prepared her somewhat to star in the reboot of another popular franchise seven years later, this time for adults: "Baywatch" (2017). Although the film was a critical flop, it changed her trajectory.

" 'Baywatch' raised my profile and changed the kinds of jobs I was being offered, maybe not in a positive way," she said of the film, in which she spends a substantial portion sporting a low-cut red bathing suit. "But I'm glad I did it."

While "Baywatch" turned up the spotlight, it did not turbocharge her career, which she felt had stalled in the years before the pandemic.

A boost arrived in the pop-culture juggernaut that was the first season of "The White Lotus." Her turn as Rachel, a newlywed who begins to suspect that her decision to marry the rich and obnoxiously entitled Shane (Jake Lacy) might have been a huge mistake, provided one of the season's few truly sympathetic characters.

"Rachel in that season was one of the few characters who needed to be kind of likable in a way the other characters didn't," said Mike White, who writes and directs "The White Lotus." "Alexandra had an unpretentious, natural approach to the character that was very sweet."

Lacy applauded her sense of humor — and a tolerance for his "diva moves."

"We did a scene where I had no shirt on, and I was doing pushups before the take," he said. "I was like, 'Hey, I'm sorry for the vanity of doing this, I just would like to look good on camera,' and she was like: 'Jake, I was in "Baywatch." That's everyone with no clothes on doing their best for months at a time. These 10 pushups are not making me think any less of you.' "

Spalding and Ashford knew they would face a significant challenge in condensing Rowan's story into eight episodes: The first book in the series, "The Witching Hour," runs more than 1,000 pages.

They restructured the chronology, condensing many of the historical elements into short segments that appear at the beginning of each episode. And they combined a major character from the novels, Michael Curry, Rowan's love interest, with another character, Aaron Lightner, to create a new character, Ciprien Grieve, played by Tongayi Chirisa ("Palm Springs").

Chirisa, 41, recalled hanging out with Daddario for the first time over hamburgers in New Orleans, where the series was shot last year.

"She just felt like she was the girl from next door," he said. "All the things that she's experienced gave her this very well-balanced sense of who she is."

'Cabaret'

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admirably Chicago-style piece of work, in that Stephan keeps a close eye on the ensemble in which she belongs. Sally is a denizen of the Kit Kat Club, the place that taught her what to do to survive. This show doesn't work if she is on a different planet from everyone else.

As the Emcee, Josh Walker, an actor whose musical direction in Chicago I remember admiring more than a decade ago, finds a variety of singular colors in the part. At 4 feet, 6 inches, Walker has crashed through plenty of theatrical barriers in his career and the best aspect of this particular performance is how shrewdly Walker uses the opportunity of "Cabaret" to do something different every time: his *tour de force* here is the gorgeous ballad "I Don't Care Much," a reminder of how often Fred Ebb and John Kander asked performers to sing the precise opposite of what their self-deluded characters actually were feeling.

I'd argue that Gilbert Domally, who has one of the best voices in the city, takes the cipher-like quality of Clifford Bradshaw (the character that book writer Joe Masteroff based on Christopher Isherwood himself), a bit too far. There are moments in this show that demand greater surprise and engagement, if only so the dramatic mechanism of the show can function as intended. That needs attention.

In the character roles, you get to enjoy the skills and hearts of Mark David Kaplan and Mary Robin Roth, playing the couple that these great Broadway artists used to show how the Nazis destroyed potential personal happiness, while also warning against burying your head in the sand. And there's a powerful, edgy turn from Neala Barron as Fraulein Kost. Suitably intimidating and suitably inevitable.

Add in a six-piece orchestra and a power-packed ensemble, and you have a fine and affordably priced Chicago "Cabaret," a bright star in what has been a much reduced January when it comes to the number of full-blown shows in our city; the arts remain in recovery.

But it's always a "Cabaret" for Sally. Stephan makes it clear why.

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When: Through Feb. 12
Where: Porchlight Music Theatre at the Ruth Page Center for the Arts, 1016 N. Dearborn St.
Running time: 2 hours, 30 minutes
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Judy Justice

Amazon Frevee ■ New Episodes

Season Two of Judge Judy Sheindlin's courtroom series picks up again with its next batch of episodes, airing weekdays starting today.

The Bachelor

ABC, 7 p.m. ■ Season Premiere

One of the most popular and beloved reality shows returns for a brand-new 27th season, this time starring Zach Shallcross, a contestant from the most recent season of The Bachelorette, and promises all the tears, heartbreak and drama one would expect from the emotional and addictive long-running series.

Fantasy Island

FOX, 7 p.m.

Brett Butler, Daphne Maxwell Reid, Lynn Whitfield and Maureen McCormick (The Brady Bunch) guest-star in the new episode "Mystery in Miami."

America's Got Talent

NBC, 7 p.m.

Auditions continue as winners, finalists, favorites and viral sensations vie for the chance to win the title of AGT All-Star. One act is given a Golden Buzzer and earns a spot in the finals, while superfans also vote on one act to move to the finals.

Antiques Roadshow

PBS, 7 p.m.

Visit the "Land of Enchantment" on the hunt for hidden treasures as Antiques Roadshow visits Santa Fe's Museum Hill in the first of three hours. Some of the valuables appraised tonight include a 1929 New York Yankees partial-team-signed ball, a New Mexico mining league trophy and photos, and a Plains Indian child's beaded shirt. One of these is estimated to be worth up to $200,000.

Bob Hearts Abishola

CBS, 7:30 p.m.

When Bob (Billy Gardell) alerts MaxDot's longtime friend and sock manufacturer that he will no longer need their services, Dottie (Christine Ebersole) steps in to try to salvage their relationship in the new episode "Twerk O' Clock."

NCIS

CBS, 8 p.m.

In the new episode "Big Rig," NCIS helps track down an old friend of Torres' (Wilmer Valderrama) who has gone missing while on an undercover FBI operation.

All American: Homecoming

The CW, 8 p.m. ■ New Episodes

This young-adult sports drama and spinoff of All American returns with new episodes Mondays. In its midseason premiere, Simone (Geffri Maya) stands up for herself, and Keisha's (Netta Walker) dance trajectory hits a major roadblock.

'Barmageddon'

USA

The Good Doctor

ABC, 9 p.m.

In "Quiet and Loud," Shaun (Freddie Highmore) and Lea (Paige Spara) soon learn that their surprise pregnancy may come with some complications. Meanwhile, Drs. Park (Will Yun Lee), Reznick (Fiona Gubelmann) and Allen (Bria Henderson) treat a teen with Gardner's syndrome whose past surgical history jeopardizes the outcome of his current one.

NCIS: Hawai'i

CBS, 9 p.m.

In the new episode "Shields Up," NCIS locates a suspect in the murder of a Marine captain in a really unusual place.

Barmageddon

USA Network, 10 p.m. ■ Season Finale

Blake Shelton and Carson Daly's game show in which celebrities compete in over-the-top bar games concludes its first season with singer-songwriter Elle King vying against singer-songwriter Chris Young.

MOVIES YOU'LL LOVE

'The Mummy'

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The Mummy (2017, Action) Tom Cruise, Russell Crowe **FX, 4:30 p.m.**

Love Strikes Twice (2021, Romance-comedy) Katie Findlay, Wyatt Nash **Hallmark, 5 p.m.**

Secrets in the Woods (2020, Suspense) Brittany Underwood, Taylor Frey **LMN, 5 p.m.**

The Transporter (2002, Action) Jason Statham, Shu Qi **FXM, 6 p.m.**

Disappearance in Yellowstone (2022, Drama) Lucie Guest, Jonathan Scarfe **LMN, 7 p.m.**

It Was Always You (2021, Romance) Erin Krakow, Tyler Hynes **Hallmark, 7 p.m.**

The Day After Tomorrow (2004, Action) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal **Paramount, 7 p.m.**

The Empty Man (2020, Horror) James Badge Dale, Owen Teague **FX, 7 p.m.**

One Summer (2021, Drama) Sam Page, Sarah Drew **Hallmark Movies & Mysteries, 8 p.m.**

Vacation (2015, Comedy) Ed Helms, Christina Applegate **Freeform, 8 p.m.**

Ice Road Killer (2022, Suspense) Sarah Allen, Zoe Belkin **LMN, 9 p.m.**

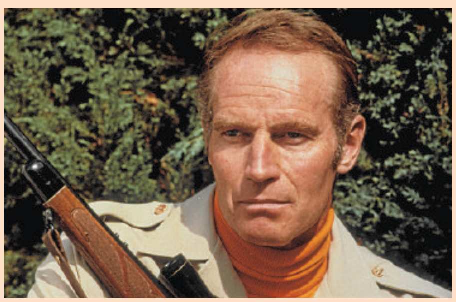
Kong: Skull Island (2017, Adventure) Tom Hiddleston, Samuel L. Jackson **TNT, 9:30 p.m.**

CATCH A CLASSIC

After the Apocalypse

TCM, Beginning at 7 p.m.

Five memorable postapocalyptic and/or dystopic future films are the focus tonight on Turner Classic Movies, beginning with 1971's **The Omega Man (pictured),** the second adaptation of Richard Matheson's 1954 novel I Am Legend. Charlton Heston stars as one of the last survivors of a plague, who hunts — and is hunted by — plague victims who have been turned into mutants. Next, Ava Gardner, Gregory Peck, Fred Astaire and Anthony Perkins lead the Oscar-nominated **On the Beach** (1959), based on Nevil Shute's novel about the aftermath of a nuclear war. After that is **Logan's Run** (1976), set in a future society that at first appears utopian but is actually revealed as a dystopia that maintains an equilibrium in its population and resource consumption by killing everyone who reaches the age of 30. Michael York and Jenny Agutter star. The lineup concludes early tomorrow morning with **No Blade of Grass** (1970), co-written, produced and directed by Cornel Wilde, and **World Without End** (1956).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Darnell Ferguson and Tina Kim in "Worst Cooks in America." **WARNER BROS. DISCOVERY**

'Worst Cooks' recruits social media successes for season 25

By Fielding Buck
The Orange County Register

When producers were casting season 25 of "Worst Cooks in America," they weren't just looking for culinary failures. They were looking for social media success.

"They didn't know anything about my cooking skills," said Tina Kim, of Los Angeles. "They just contacted me and, lo and behold, they were lucky. I didn't know how to cook."

"Worst Cooks in America: Viral Sensations" features 12 contestants who are active on TikTok, Instagram and other social media. The series airs Sundays on Food Network and streams on Discovery+.

Contestants face a series of challenges and eliminations until the final episode, when the last contestant will win $25,000. This season is co-hosted by Anne Burrell, a regular mentor, and first-timer Darnell Ferguson.

Kim is a comedian who began to follow Korean soap operas during the COVID-19 pandemic. "For two years, I sat on my couch and watched K-dramas nonstop. I watched 14 hours a day. And then towards the end of corona, I said to myself, 'I'm going to start my TikTok account since I've watched every single Korean drama.' "

She has since expanded her TikTok videos to include K-pop and other aspects of Korean culture.

Kim wound up on the blue team, coached by Ferguson, who she described as positive and welcoming. But the cooking is real, she said, and a big challenge.

"It's fun and stressful at the same time, because we're all in a pressure cooker," Kim said. "I think one of the challenges was only 45 minutes. And the chefs give us elaborate meals. We don't just cook the main dish. It's like, here's the side dish. And here's the sauce to go on the main dish. It's like your brain is thinking of 20 different things you have to do. And they make it hard because they make use all that different — what is it? — kitchen stuff."

Mitchell Tyler Ralston, of Huntington Beach, California, was on the red team, coached by Burrell. Ralston is an amateur ghost hunter and makes TikTok videos about paranormal activity. The "Worst Cooks" graphic department had fun with the concept and depicted him as being tormented by the evil spirit of Chef Anne.

He rated his cooking skills as terrible, although he's comfortable making spaghetti and mashed potatoes.

Ralston said he was the first contestant to cut himself this season. Cuts and fires are commonplace on the set. "Chef Anne told us, 'Don't be afraid of fire. If you have fire, I'm very good at putting out fire. This is the 25th season.' Luckily, I didn't burn myself too much. I cut myself way too much."

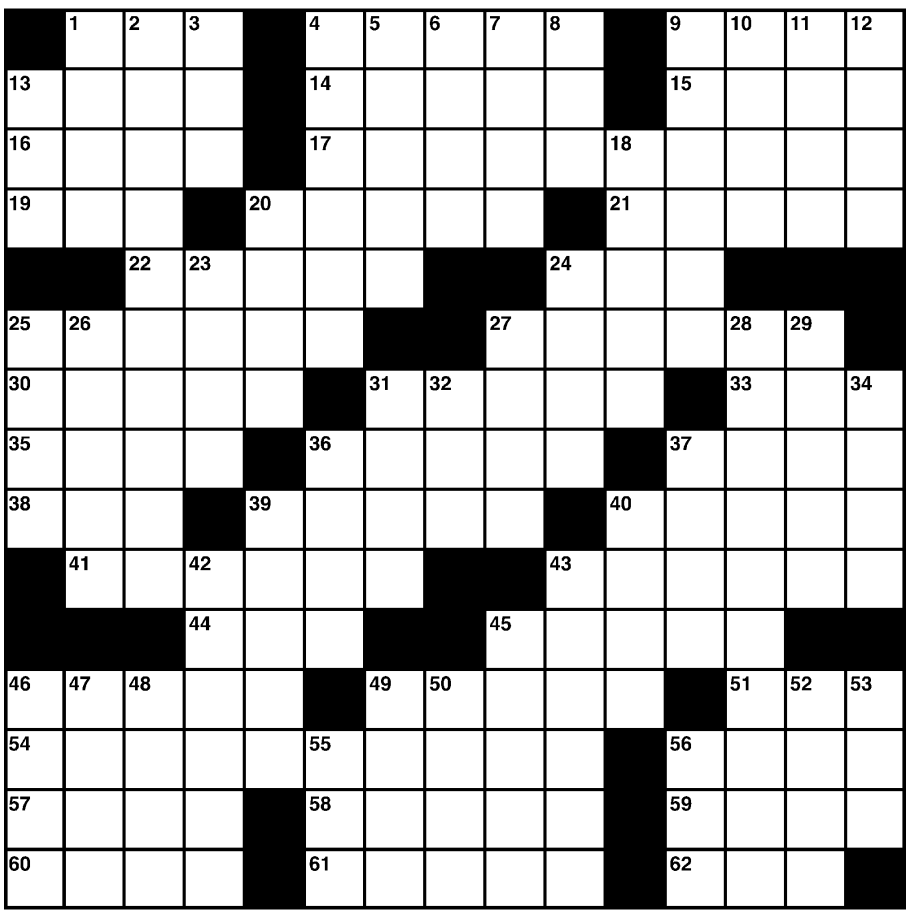
Kim and Ralston found being on camera a challenge, even though they are used to shooting their own videos.

"The hard part was smiling for hours and hours. I only have to smile for 10 seconds on my TikTok," Kim said.

Both found the experience valuable, and Ralston said it has gotten him some viewers. But it didn't turn either of them into chef.

"I did learn a lot about the kitchen," said Kim. "It's just I'm not going to bring it into the real world."

Crossword



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ACROSS
1 "We're off to __ the Wizard…"
4 Remembered Texas mission
9 Breakfast order
13 Alluring
14 Evening coffee, perhaps
15 Tack
16 Cereal grain
17 Hyper
19 "Grand __ Opry"
20 Squeeze
21 Rejuvenate
22 Sierra __; Liberia's neighbor
24 Saloon
25 Whiskered mammal
27 Arranges
30 Vigilant
31 Arrogance
33 Prefix for stop or fat
35 Without
36 Implements
37 Go higher
38 Eyebrow shape
39 "Same for me!"
40 TV's "Sister __"
41 Military awards
43 Most recent news
44 "Roses __ red…"
45 Bishop's hat
46 Ease up
49 "Jack and the Beanstalk" ogre
51 Actor Alastair __
54 Defiance
56 Part of a royal flush
57 Actor James __
58 Sanctuary table
59 Thing; object
60 Like some juries
61 Shines
62 Closing trio

DOWN
1 Dirt
2 Greatness; supremacy
3 Place for an iris
4 Decorates
5 Embankment
6 Large hearts
7 One of the planets
8 "Son __ gun!"
9 Comes onstage
10 Make progress
11 __ away; donate
12 Killed
13 To and __
18 Wooden box
20 Sulk
23 Miscalculates
24 Pieces of furniture
25 "Jeremiah __ bullfrog…"
26 Warning device
27 Farm building
28 Oxford or Yale
29 __ a question; asks
31 Cookware
32 Decay
34 Cozy home
36 Mosaic piece
37 Ceremony
39 Challenges
40 "W" on a light bulb
42 Seeing socially
43 Ocean __; passenger ships
45 Large parrot
46 Curved beam overhead
47 Actor Bridges
48 As slippery __ eel
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50 Come __ view; appear
52 Name for a Spanish girl
53 "Rocky Balboa" production co.
55 Dog collar dangler
56 Breakfast cereal

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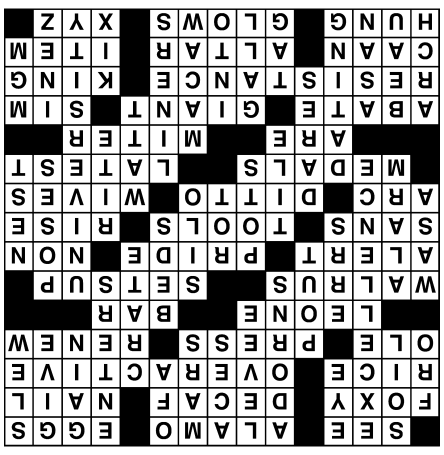
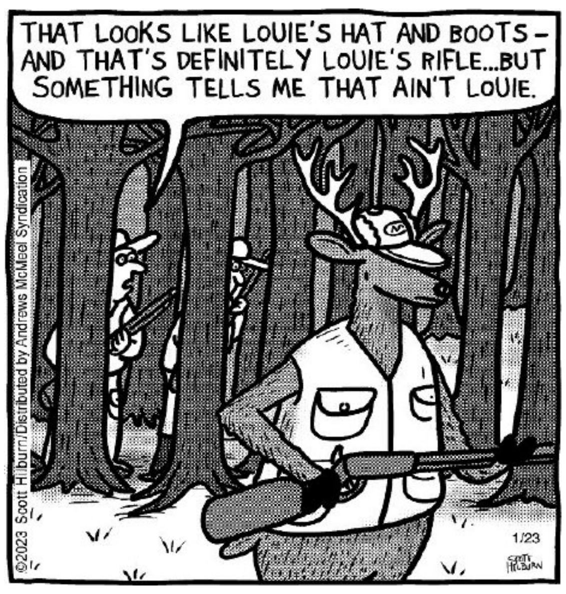


Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Jan. 23): Your muses serenade this year. Develop personal passions into accomplishments with faithful attention. Winter's domestic rearranging supports you for a buzzing, collaborative and creative spring. Resolve a summer professional challenge, before autumn investigations reveal new treasures. Capture ideas on papers, files and drives.
Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Stick to basics. Refine and simplify plans for greater ease and efficiency. Find a quiet spot to review and adapt for new circumstances.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Social connection leads to new possibilities. Collaborate with someone interesting. Take advantage of an unexpected opportunity. Work together to advance a shared dream.
Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Resolve a professional challenge. Consider unusual options as potential solutions. Listen to intuition. You're especially insightful. Notice unspoken clues. Maintain momentum and open communications.
Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Traffic and tempers can get hot. Do you need to go in person? Can you handle it online? Discover an unorthodox solution. Try crazy ideas.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Shared financial accounts may not align with the dreams you have for the future. Take advantage of an unexpected opportunity.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. An obstacle blocks the path. Work together to find a way around a challenge. Avoid irritating each other. Discover unexpected connections and opportunities.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Slow for tricky terrain. Don't get impulsive. Accidents and errors could get expensive. Listen to what your body is telling you. Prioritize health and work.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Creative or romantic barriers redirect your attention. Take advantage of an opportunity for spontaneous fun. Some ideas won't work. Keep an open mind.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Consider plans for domestic improvements. Research supplies, materials and furnishings carefully before purchasing. Wait for better conditions to begin.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. The story can get twisted. The news is already unusual. Patiently sift fact from fiction. Ignore gossip, rumors or lies. Summarize, simplify and clarify.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. A financial barrier could spark crazy ideas. Stay in communication. Entertain suggestions. Resources appear in unexpected places.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Pamper yourself. You're adapting with recent changes. Try a new style. Relax with your favorite obsession. Recharge with something fun.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn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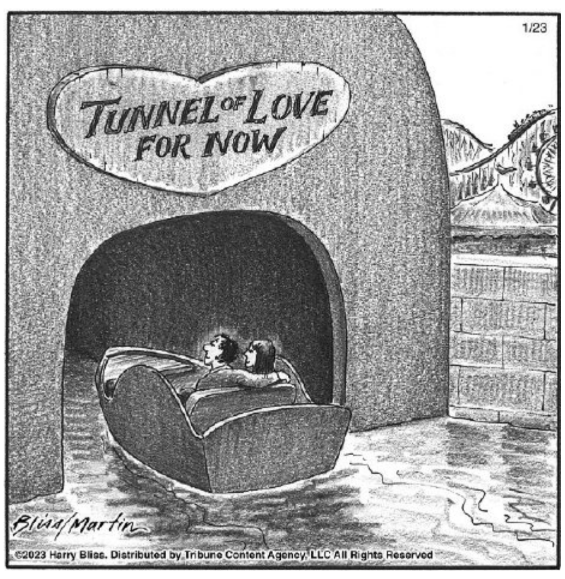
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Bridge

Here are the answers to the weekly quiz:

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A K 10 ♥ J 8 6 5 ♦ A Q 7 ♣ A 7 6
Right-hand opponent opens 1D. What call would you make?
A.1—We think this is slightly too strong for 1NT. Double, planning to bid NT next unless partner bids hearts.

Q.2—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ K 10 9 4 ♥ A K Q 6 4 ♦ Void ♣ J 7 6 4

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2NT*	Pass
?			

***Game-forcing heart raise, at least four trumps**
What call would you make?
A.2—Slam is possible, but partner must have a club control. Bid 3D. Give partner a chance to make a control bid in clubs.

Q.3—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ K Q 10 7 5 ♥ K J 7 ♦ 3 ♣ A K Q 9

South	West	North	East
1♠	2♥	Pass	Pass
?			

What call would you make?
A.3—Don't double. Your heart strength means partner is unlikely to have trap passed and you can't stand a diamond bid from him. Bid 3C.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Q J 10 9 7 4 ♥ Void ♦ K J 7 6 5 ♣ K 7
As dealer, what call would you make?
A.4—Way too strong for 2S. Open 1S.

— Bob Jones
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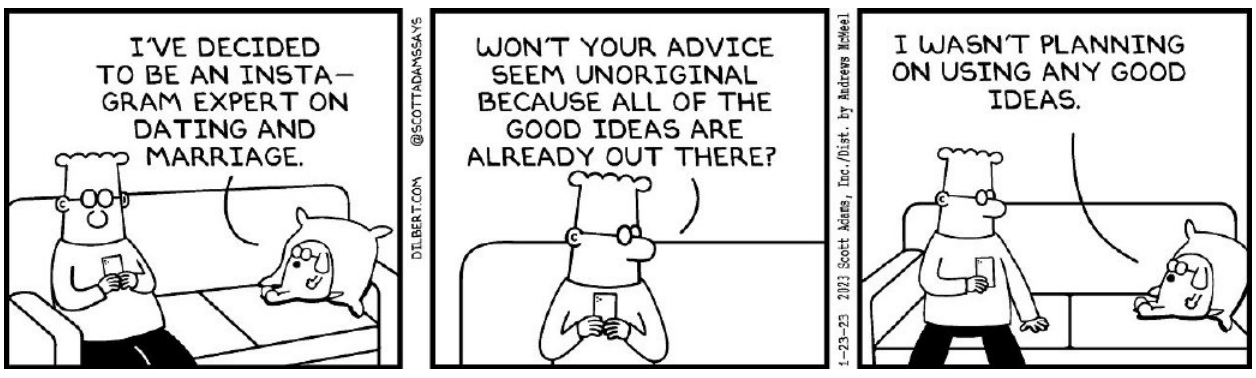
Dilbert By Scott Adams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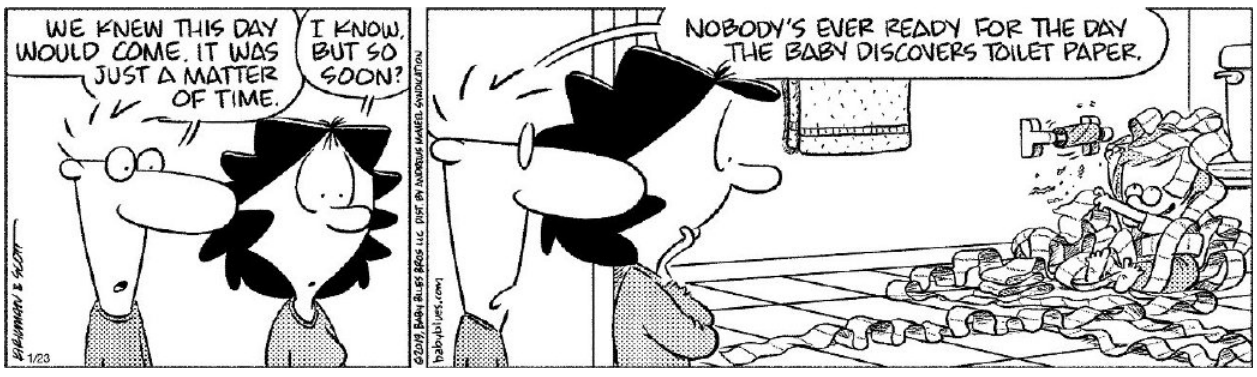
Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott (Baby Blues is on vacation until January 30. Please enjoy this strip from 2019.)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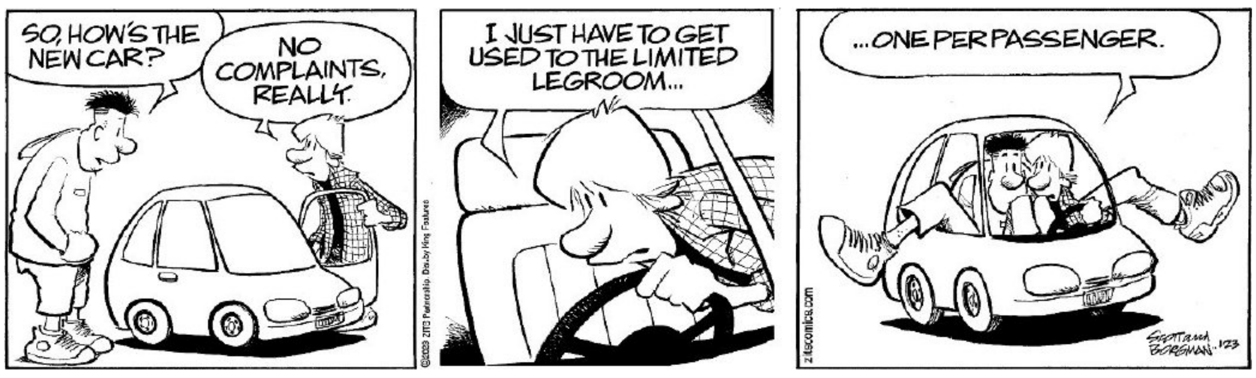
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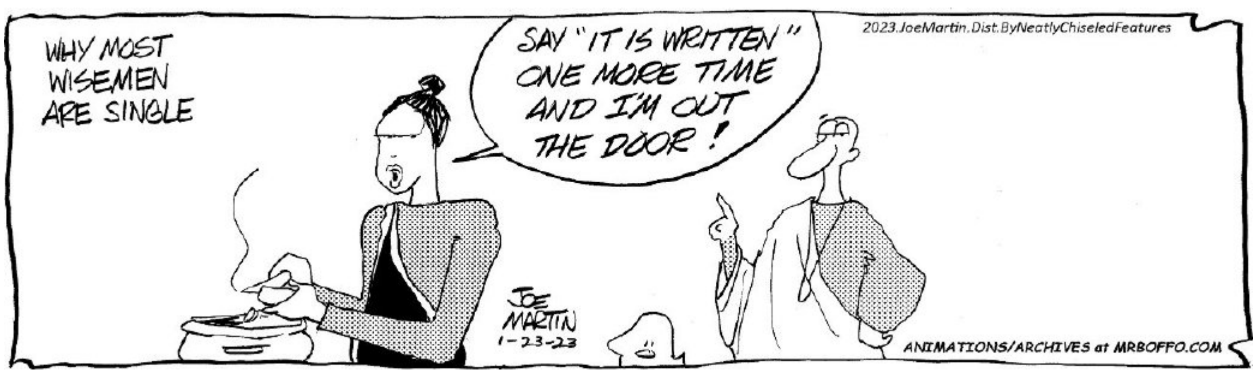
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SAY "IT IS WRITTEN" ONE MORE TIME AND I'M OUT THE DOOR!
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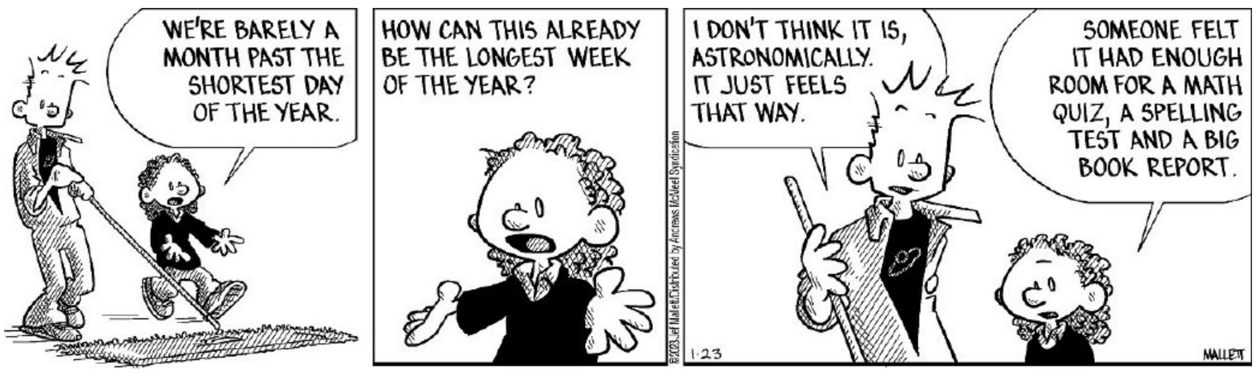
WE'RE BARELY A MONTH PAST THE SHORTEST DAY OF THE YEAR.
HOW CAN THIS ALREADY BE THE LONGEST WEEK OF THE YEAR?
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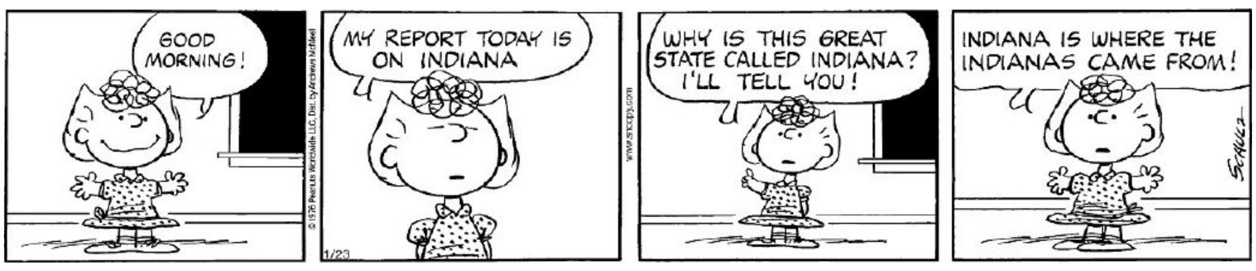
I DON'T THINK IT IS, ASTRONOMICALLY. IT JUST FEELS THAT WAY.
SOMEONE FELT IT HAD ENOUGH ROOM FOR A MATH QUIZ, A SPELLING TEST AND A BIG BOOK REPORT.
MALLETT

Classic Peanuts By Charles Schulz


GOOD MORNING!
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MY REPORT TODAY IS ON INDIANA
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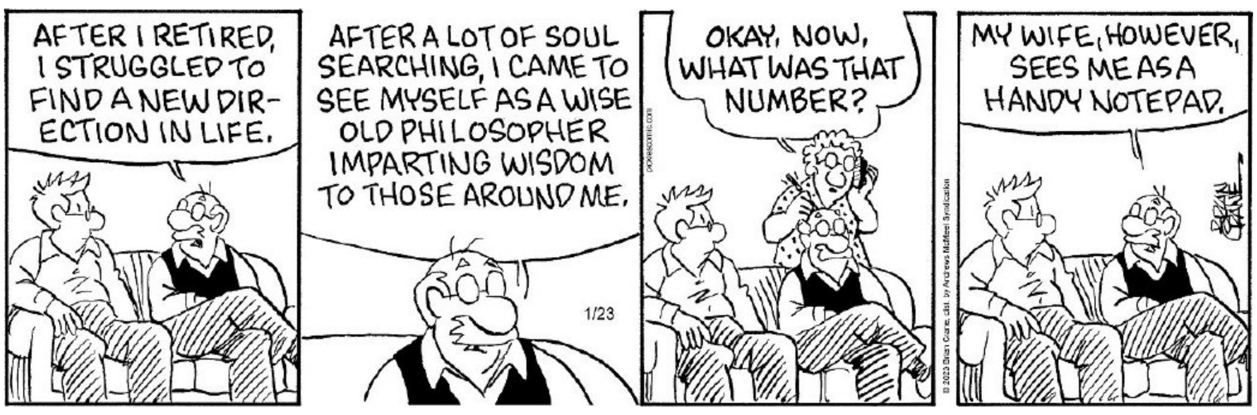
WHY IS THIS GREAT STATE CALLED INDIANA? I'LL TELL YOU!
INDIANA IS WHERE THE INDIANAS CAME FROM!
SCHULZ

Pickles By Brian Crane


AFTER I RETIRED, I STRUGGLED TO FIND A NEW DIRECTION IN LIFE.
AFTER A LOT OF SOUL SEARCHING, I CAME TO SEE MYSELF AS A WISE OLD PHILOSOPHER IMPARTING WISDOM TO THOSE AROUND ME.
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picklescomic.com
OKAY, NOW, WHAT WAS THAT NUMBER?
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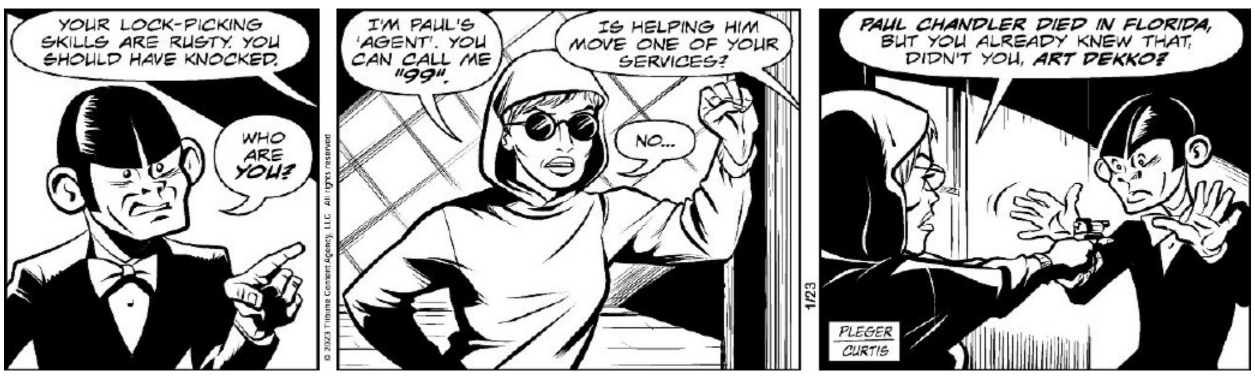
MY WIFE, HOWEVER, SEES ME AS A HANDY NOTEPAD.
BRIAN CRANE

Dick Tracy By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis


YOUR LOCK-PICKING SKILLS ARE RUSTY. YOU SHOULD HAVE KNOCKED.
WHO ARE YOU?
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I'M PAUL'S 'AGENT'. YOU CAN CALL ME "99".
IS HELPING HIM MOVE ONE OF YOUR SERVICES?
NO...
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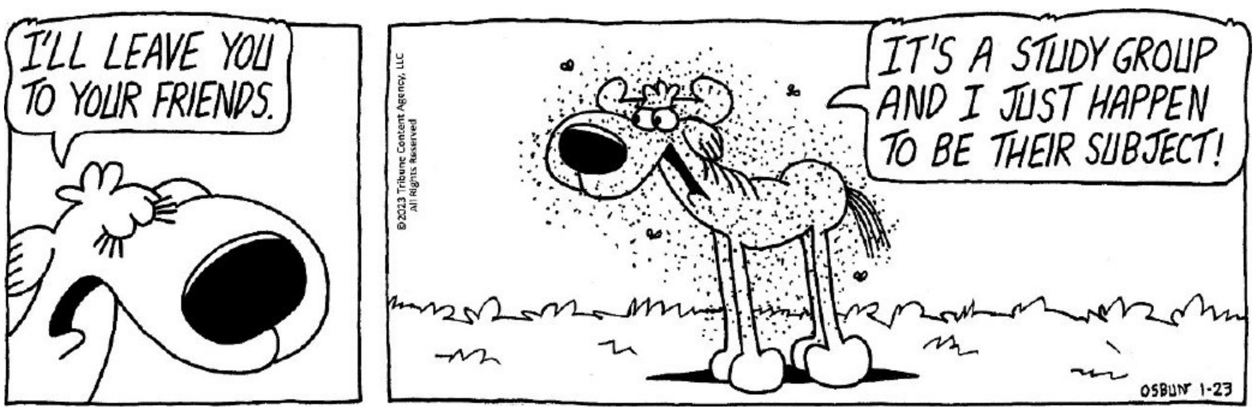
PAUL CHANDLER DIED IN FLORIDA, BUT YOU ALREADY KNEW THAT, DIDN'T YOU, ART DEKKO?
PLEGER CURTIS

Animal Crackers By Mike Osbun


I'LL LEAVE YOU TO YOUR FRIENDS.
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IT'S A STUDY GROUP AND I JUST HAPPEN TO BE THEIR SUBJECT!
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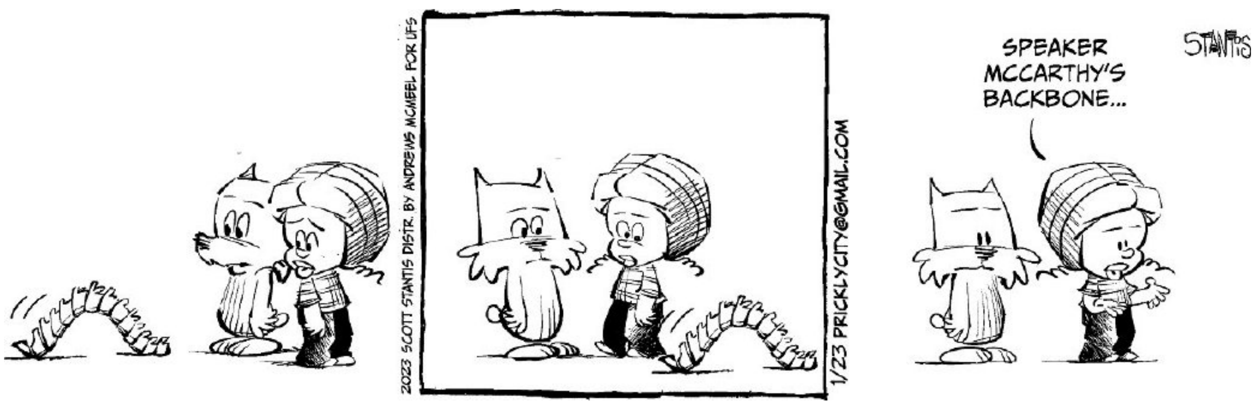
Prickly City By Scott Stantis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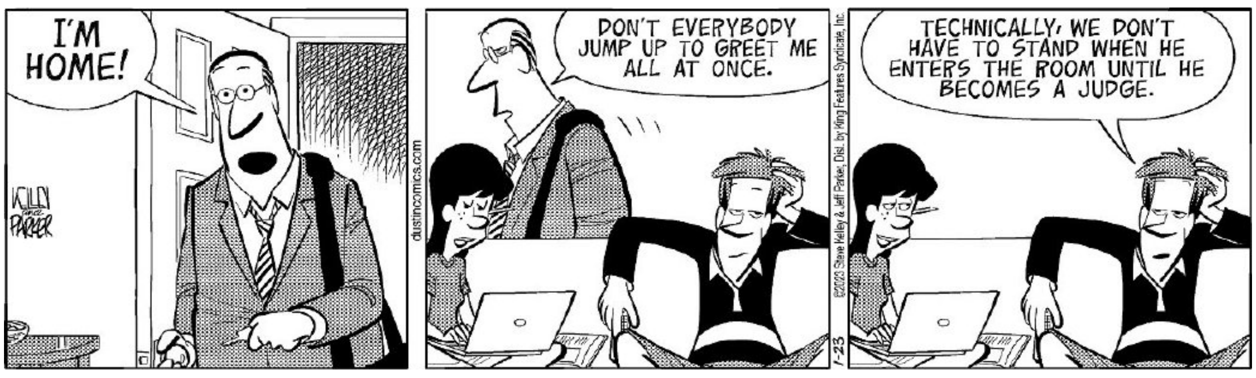
I'M HOME!
DON'T EVERYBODY JUMP UP TO GREET ME ALL AT ONCE.
TECHNICALLY, WE DON'T HAVE TO STAND WHEN HE ENTERS THE ROOM UNTIL HE BECOMES A JUDGE.
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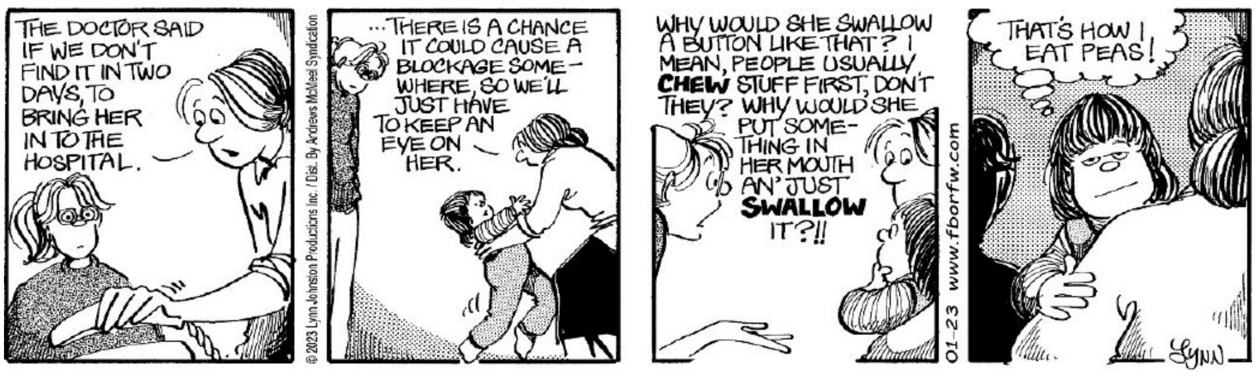
For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston


THE DOCTOR SAID IF WE DON'T FIND IT IN TWO DAYS, TO BRING HER IN TO THE HOSPITAL.
...THERE IS A CHANCE IT COULD CAUSE A BLOCKAGE SOMEWHERE, SO WE'LL JUST HAVE TO KEEP AN EYE ON HER.
WHY WOULD SHE SWALLOW A BUTTON LIKE THAT? I MEAN, PEOPLE USUALLY CHEW STUFF FIRST, DON'T THEY? WHY WOULD SHE PUT SOMETHING IN HER MOUTH AN' JUST SWALLOW IT?!!
THAT'S HOW I EAT PEAS!
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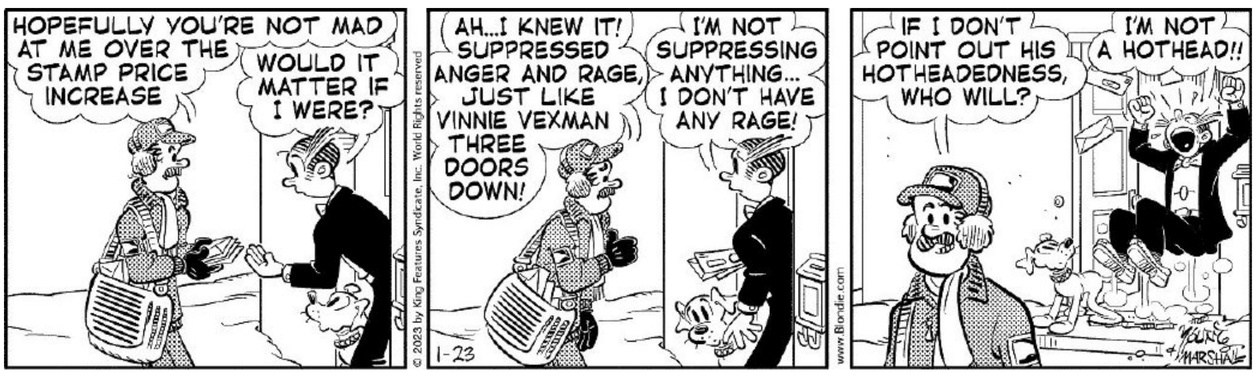
Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall


HOPEFULLY YOU'RE NOT MAD AT ME OVER THE STAMP PRICE INCREASE
WOULD IT MATTER IF I WERE?
AH...I KNEW IT! SUPPRESSED ANGER AND RAGE, JUST LIKE VINNIE VEXMAN THREE DOORS DOWN!
I'M NOT SUPPRESSING ANYTHING... I DON'T HAVE ANY RAGE!
IF I DON'T POINT OUT HIS HOTHEADEDNESS, WHO WILL?
I'M NOT A HOTHEAD!!
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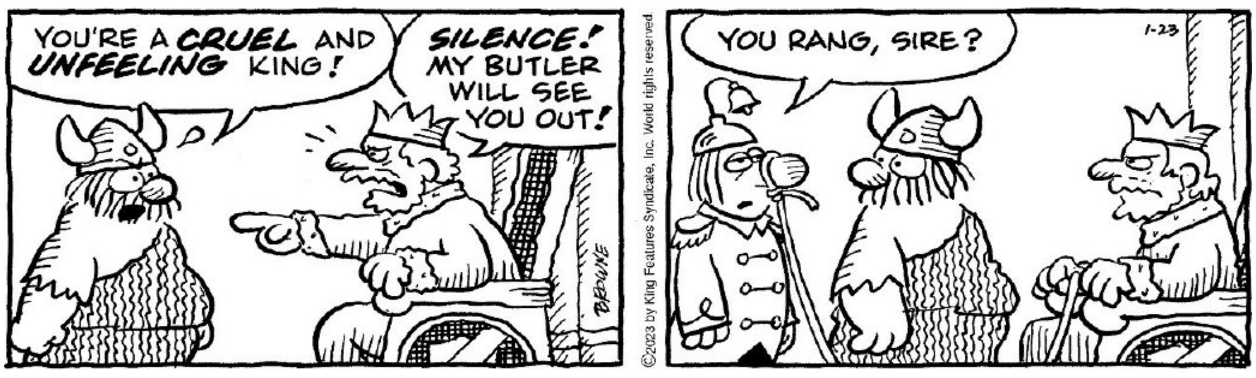
YOUNG & MARSHALL

Hägar the Horrible By Chris Browne


YOU'RE A CRUEL AND UNFEELING KING!
SILENCE! MY BUTLER WILL SEE YOU OUT!
YOU RANG, SIRE?
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BROWNE
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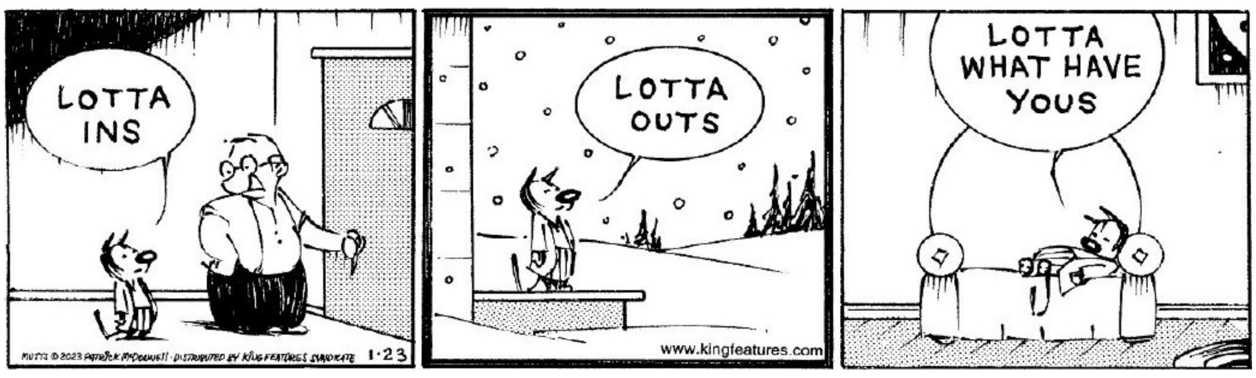
Mutts By Patrick McDonnell


LOTTA INS
LOTTA OUTS
LOTTA WHAT HAVE YOUS
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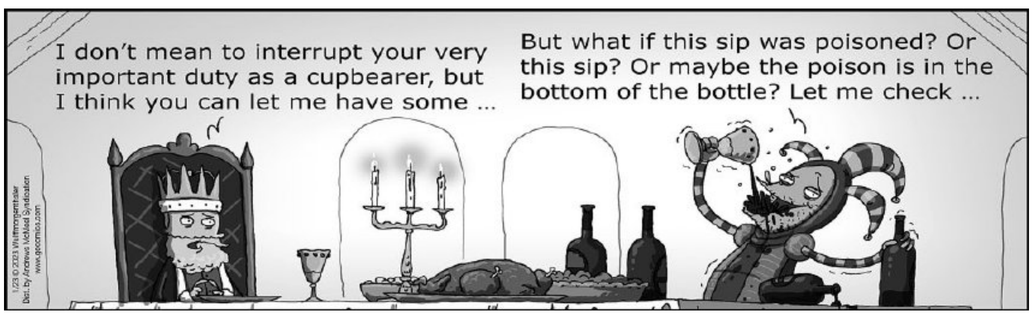
I don't mean to interrupt your very important duty as a cupbearer, but I think you can let me have some ...
But what if this sip was poisoned? Or this sip? Or maybe the poison is in the bottom of the bottle? Let me check ...
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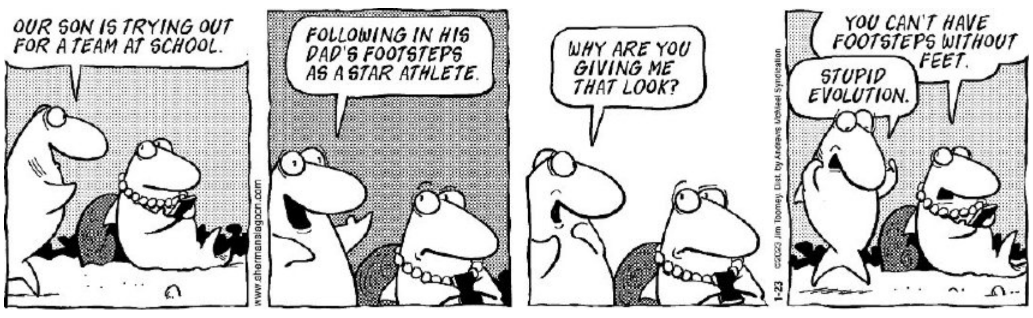
Sherman's Lagoon By Jim Toomey


OUR SON IS TRYING OUT FOR A TEAM AT SCHOOL.
FOLLOWING IN HIS DAD'S FOOTSTEPS AS A STAR ATHLETE.
WHY ARE YOU GIVING ME THAT LOOK?
STUPID EVOLUTION.
YOU CAN'T HAVE FOOTSTEPS WITHOUT FEET.
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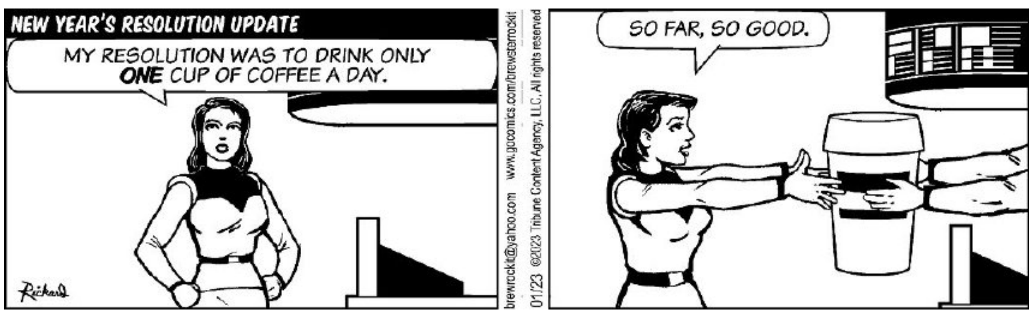
Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! By Tim Rickard


NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION UPDATE
MY RESOLUTION WAS TO DRINK ONLY ONE CUP OF COFFEE A DAY.
SO FAR, SO GOOD.
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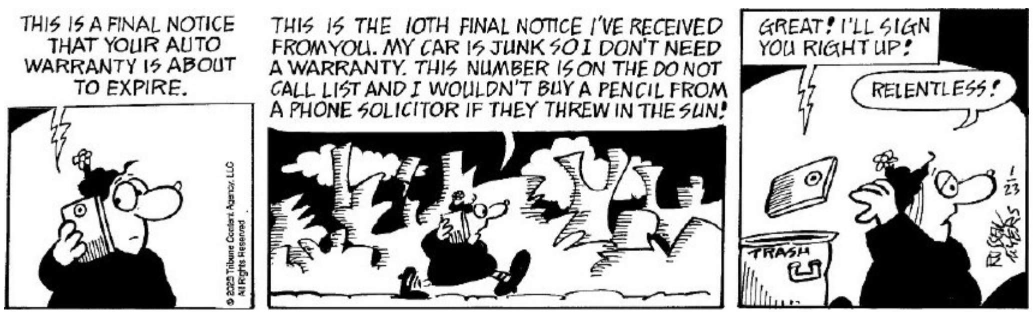
Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers


THIS IS A FINAL NOTICE THAT YOUR AUTO WARRANTY IS ABOUT TO EXPIRE.
THIS IS THE 10TH FINAL NOTICE I'VE RECEIVED FROM YOU. MY CAR IS JUNK SO I DON'T NEED A WARRANTY. THIS NUMBER IS ON THE DO NOT CALL LIST AND I WOULDN'T BUY A PENCIL FROM A PHONE SOLICITOR IF THEY THREW IN THE SUN!
GREAT! I'LL SIGN YOU RIGHT UP!
RELENTLESS!
TRASH
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Sudoku

1 2 3 4

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4							1	2
		9		2				4
	7		9				5	
					4		9	
		3	8		2	4		
	9		5					
	5				1		7	
3		1		7		2		
9	6							3

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

6	4	5	3	7	9	2	8	1
1	8	3	4	2	6	5	7	9
9	2	7	5	1	8	6	3	4
4	1	6	2	5	3	7	9	8
7	9	2	6	8	4	1	5	3
3	5	8	7	9	1	4	6	2
2	3	9	1	6	5	8	4	7
8	6	1	9	4	7	3	2	5
5	7	4	8	3	2	9	1	6

◀ **Saturday's solutions**

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.

GTHIS

HLACS

TRAAKE

CNEREO

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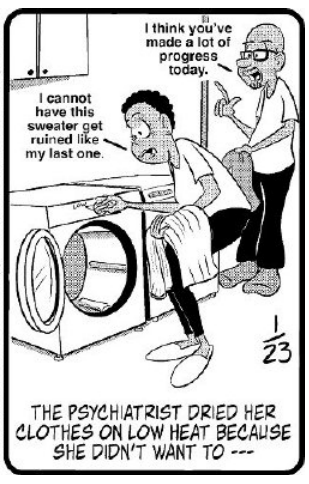
I think you've made a lot of progress today.
I cannot have this sweater get ruined like my last one.
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THE PSYCHIATRIST DRIED HER CLOTHES ON LOW HEAT BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T WANT TO ---

Answer here

Saturday's answers

Jumbles: ROBOT ERUPT SIZZLE QUENCH
Answer: The hunters didn't see any deer, but they did get to — SHOOT THE BREEZE

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Crossword

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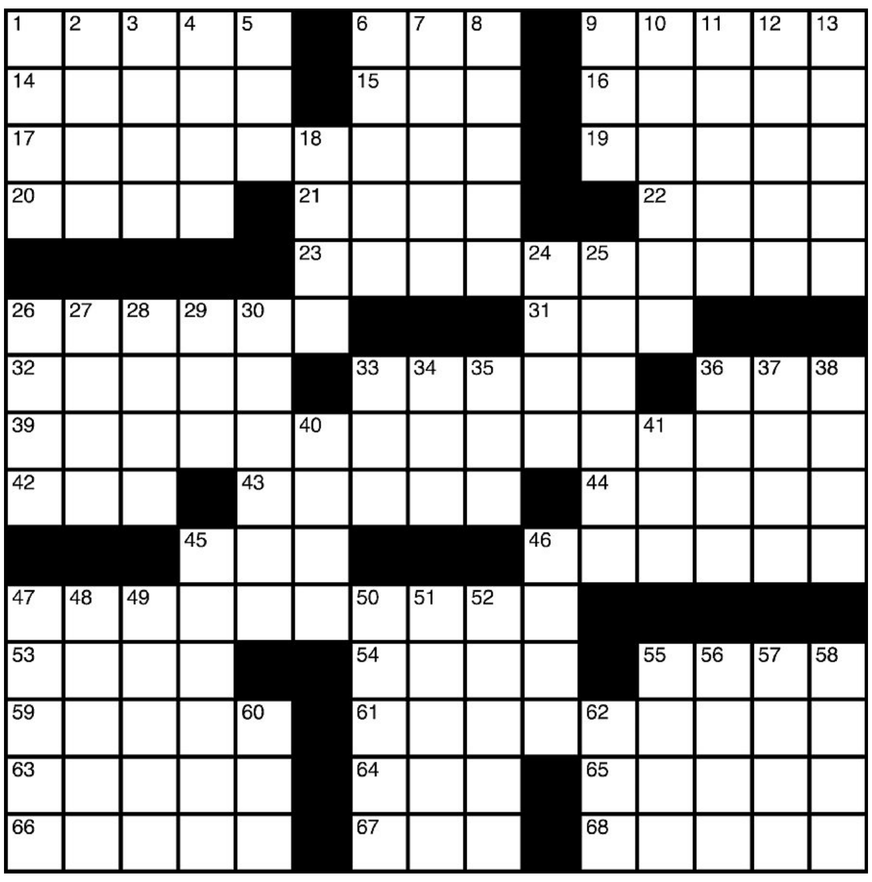

Across

1 Throw with effort
6 Like some moody punk music
9 Hold responsible
14 Own up to
15 Slip on
16 Complete
17 Sound that may accompany a salute
19 Meager
20 Novelist Tyler
21 Dull pain
22 Golden Fleece ship
23 Inexpensive way to spend time off
26 Escorted to the door
31 Freezer cubes
32 Appropriate inappropriately
33 Moisten while cooking
36 Pixie
39 "Mention you, and there you are!"
42 "Inside the NBA" airer
43 Make joyful
44 "Goodnight, __": Lead Belly song
45 Grazing field
46 Gawked
47 Ride shotgun
53 Smack hard
54 Early Ron Howard role
55 At one's __ and call
59 Spooky
61 "Come again?"
63 Says goodbye
64 Mined resource
65 PayPal alternative
66 Reward for a pup who obeys the commands at the starts of 17-, 23-, 39-, 47-, and 61-Across
67 Roofing goo
68 Change to fit

Down

1 "Good joke!"
2 Genesis garden
3 Prayer ending
4 Despicable
5 And so on: Abbr.
6 Formal decree
7 Coffee-and-chocolate flavor
8 Perfectly pitched
9 "Butter" K-pop band
10 Pinpoint
11 Game company since 1972
12 Snapple's __ Madness
13 John who sings "Cold Heart" with Dua Lipa
18 Final
24 Quote as a source
25 Crushed the test
26 Romance novel emotion
27 "NBA Today" airer
28 Song for two
29 "You for Me" singer Rita
30 Property manager's responsibility
33 Painter's deg.
34 QB stat
35 "Nevertheless, __ persisted"
36 At any point
37 Queue
38 Ran away
40 "Frozen" snowman
41 Stretch of history
45 Nyong'o of "Black Panther"
46 Ladder rung
47 Cleaned the floor
48 "Word on the street is ... "
49 MLB exec Joe who was the Yankees' manager for 12 seasons
50 Automaton
51 Word with space or soap
52 Landlocked nation in West Africa
55 Raised, as farm animals
56 Poet __ St. Vincent Millay
57 Give for free
58 Hardwood flaw
60 Approximate fig.
62 Principal on ABC's "Abbott Elementary"

Saturday's solution

S	H	A	R	P	T	U	R	N		M	O	L	D	Y
A	I	R	A	R	A	B	I	A		A	D	O	R	E
F	L	A	T	S	T	I	C	K		S	O	C	A	L
E	L	M	S	T		D	E	E		T	R	A	W	L
			O	U	R			D	W	E	L	L	S	
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A	R	G	O		L	C	D	T	V		S	L	A	P
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	S	O	T	T	O		A	P	C	O	U	R	S	E
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S	H	A	H	S		Y	A	M		T	I	E	U	P
H	E	X	E	S		T	H	A	T	S	O	N	M	E
A	M	O	R	E		H	O	L	E	I	N	O	N	E
G	E	N	E	S		S	K	I	L	E	S	S	O	N

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Trivia Bits

Which of these buildings resembles an Egyptian obelisk?

A) Lincoln Memorial
B) National Museum of African American History and Culture
C) U.S. Capitol
D) Washington Monument

Saturday's answer: The Latin phrase "caveat emptor" means "buyer beware."

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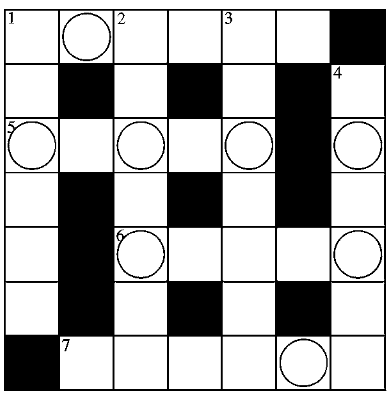
Jumble Crossword



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CLUE	ACROSS	ANSWER
1. Graduates		MUNALI
5. Smoke ____		MAARL
6. "Backdraft" crime		ROSNA
7. Light ____		NSEROS

CLUE	DOWN	ANSWER
1. ____ River		ZONAAM
2. In the dark		ERNAWAU
3. Adversary		NSEEMIS
4. Sprinter		URNRNE

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

CLUE: This volcano stands 13,679 feet tall.

BONUS

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ANSWERS: 1A-Alumni 5A-Alarm 6A-Arson 7A-Sensor 1D-Amazon 2D-Unaware 3D-Nemesis 4D-Runner B-Mauna Loa

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BONUS PUZZLE PAGE

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SUDOKU

Level: **1** 2 3 4

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		2	9		8		5	
3				1				
7	2	5		8				
6								8
				4		6	2	3
			6	2				4
	3		4		9	7		
	6					9		

8	5	7	2	6	3	4	9	1
4	1	2	9	7	8	3	5	6
3	9	6	5	1	4	2	8	7
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1	3	8	4	5	9	7	6	2
2	6	4	8	3	7	9	1	5

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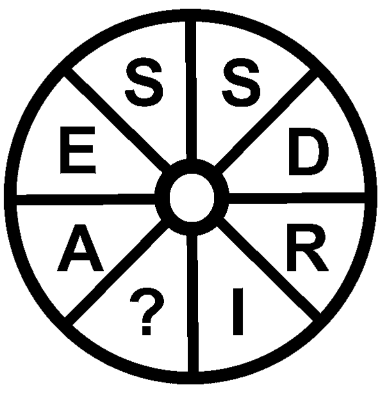
RED TAN BLUE TEAL PINK GOLD BEIGE

WordWheel



Insert the missing letter to complete an eight-letter word reading clockwise or counterclockwise.

SEABIRDS

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WORD SEARCH

Wordsearch: cheese

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Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, or diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.

M	A	N	C	H	E	G	O	E	E	K	A	L	A	R	I	M	A
P	G	O	U	E	L	C	N	R	U	D	A	M	O	R	H	I	D
C	O	T	I	J	A	B	E	F	E	T	A	L	B	M	P	X	U
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N	Z	C	V	C	Z	P	R	O	V	O	L	O	N	E	L	L	A
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R	E	E	N	A	P	R	I	C	O	T	T	A	S	E	R	A	Y
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CAERPHILLY
CAMEMBERT
CHEDDAR
CHEVRE
CHHENA
CHHURPI
COLBY
COTIJA
DANISH BLUE
EDAM
EMMENTAL
FETA
FROMAGE
 FRAIS
GORGONZOLA
GOUDA
GRANA
GRUYERE
HALOUMI
HAVARTI
KALARI
LABNE
MANCHEGO
MOZZARELLA
MUNSTER
PANEER
PARMESAN
PASSENDALE
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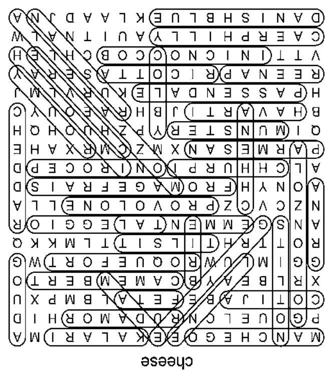

cheese

TV CROSSWORD

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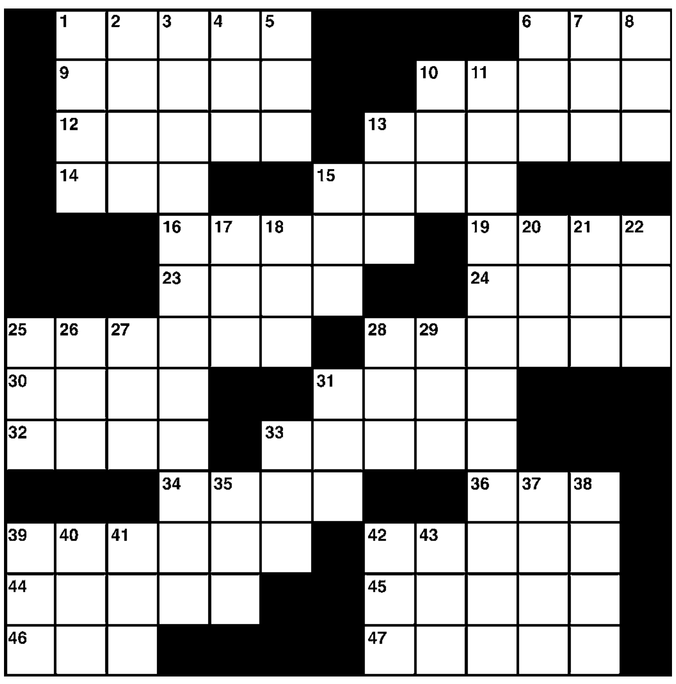

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ACROSS
1 Spader of "The Blacklist"
6 "El __"; Charlton Heston film
9 Foreboding signs
10 Mary Tyler __
12 Actor Nick
13 Series for Larry Hagman
14 Enjoy a winter sport
15 "Star Wars: Episode VI - Return of the __"
16 Alley cat
19 "Miami __" (1984-89)
23 Unexpected obstacle
24 __ the kill; there for the climax
25 "The __ Kid"; Ralph Macchio film
28 Heather Locklear's "Melrose Place" role
30 Bullets
31 "Win, Lose or __"
32 Actress Redgrave
33 Ms. Garbo
34 Neutral color
36 Actress Lucy
39 Actor Robert
42 Fonda or Falk
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13 Susan of "L.A. Law"
15 Catherine Bell series
17 Explosive letters
18 Charlotte __
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25 Actor Penn
26 Role on "Ordinary Joe"
27 Nixon's monogram
28 "People __ Funny"
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31 Actress Joanne
33 Miracle-__; plant food
35 "Boys Don't __"; Hilary Swank film
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
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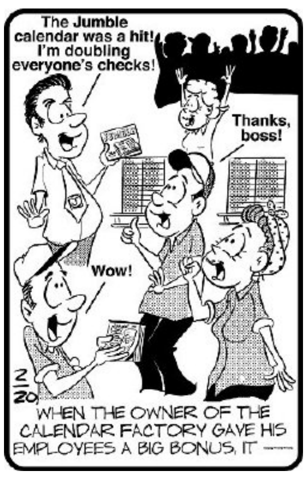
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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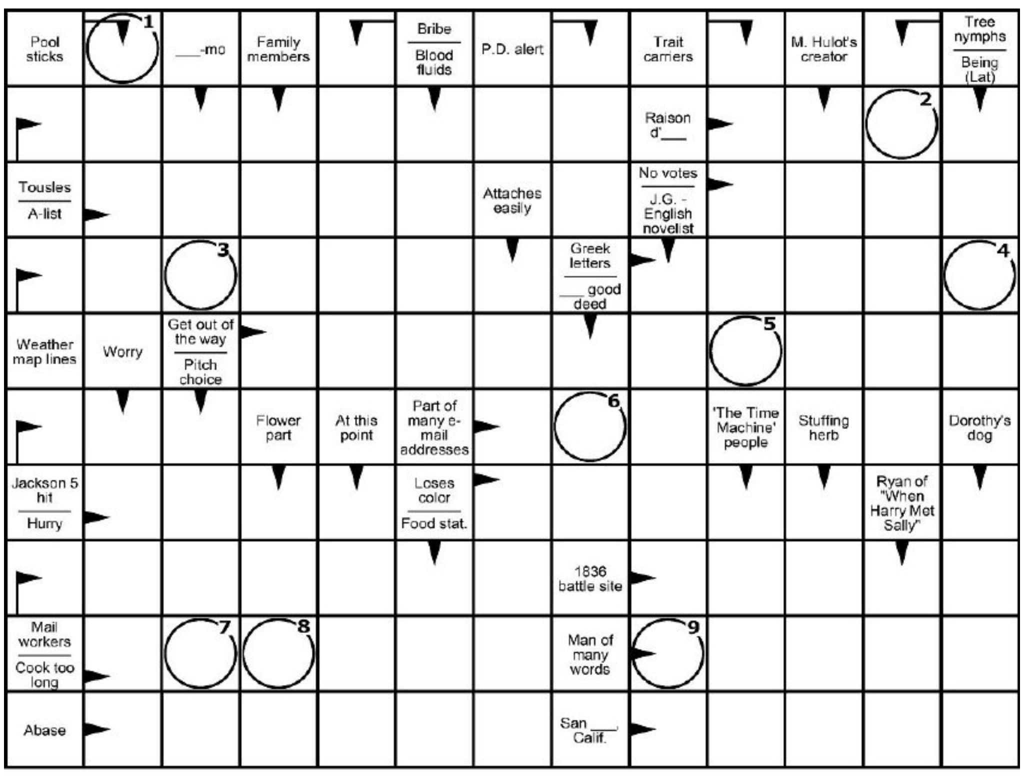
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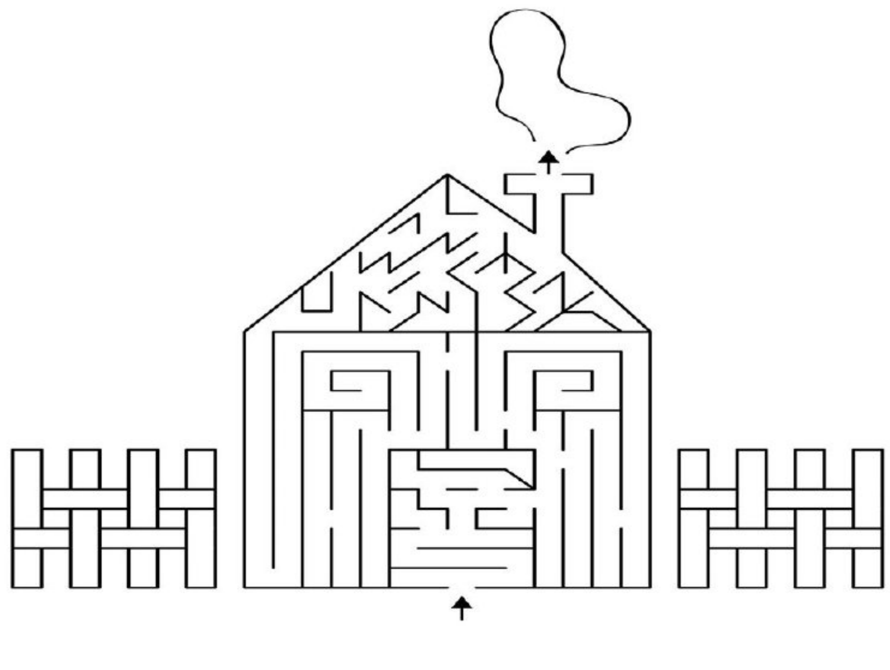

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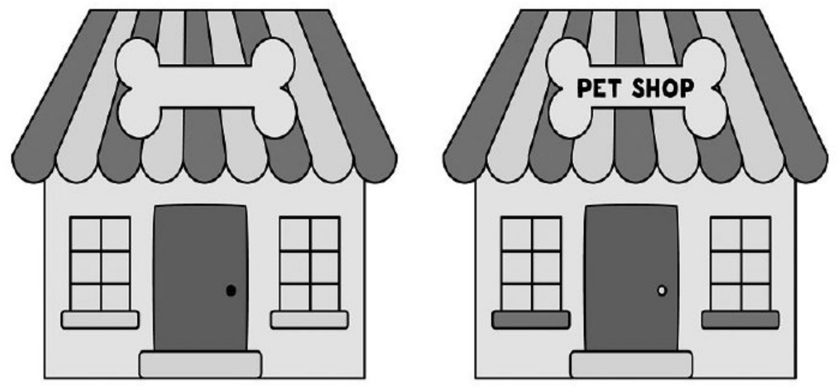

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No one knew the Cubs quite like Lin Brehmer, a true voice of sanity

A longtime Cubs fan, Lin Brehmer was honored to be asked to moderate a panel discussion at the 2015 Cubs Convention.

It was Joe Maddon's official introduction to Cubs fans, and Brehmer wanted the new skipper to know exactly what he was in for in Chicago.

"Joe, a lot of high-priced managers have come through the Cubs organization over the years," Brehmer said. "Dusty Baker, Lou Piniella and many others have come in, and most left Chicago in straitjackets..."

Maddon interrupted before Brehmer could pose his question.

"Forty-two regular," he said, offering up his jacket size.

Brehmer, the veteran disc jockey for WXRT-FM 93.1 who died Sunday at 68, loved telling that story. He was the quintessential Cubs fan, the kind who followed them as closely when they were hopeless failures as when they became World Series champions. He could cheer them on one minute and throw up his hands in disgust the next.

And though his career path led him to our city and our favorite progressive rock station, we were fortunate his bosses at WXRT had the good sense to let Lin opine on air about whatever crossed his mind, including his thoughts on his beloved Cubs.

Lin's essay on "Saturday Morning Flashback" on the 1998 Cubs perfectly captured the essence of the wild season of Sammy Sosa, Kerry Wood and the "Oh, no!" moment in Milwaukee. The joy, the pain, the resurrection and the heartbreak — all encapsulated by the voice of sanity in his lyrical fashion. His memorable tribute to Ernie Banks for WGN-Ch. 9 was a classic ode to Mr. Cub.

One of my favorite "Lin's Bin" essays centered on the strange feeling of optimism at the start of the 2016 season, when the Cubs were favored to win it all after the 2015 run to the National League Championship Series.

Someone had asked Brehmer, "Do we really want the Cubs to win the World Series?" It was a valid question. The Cubs were

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Radio personality Lin Brehmer in the WXRT studios on March 16, 2012. Brehmer died on Sunday at the age of 68. **E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

Wide receiver Ja'Marr Chase signals a first down during the Bengals' 27-10 victory against the Bills on Sunday. The Bengals will face the Chiefs in the AFC championship game for a second straight year. **MATT DURISKO/AP**

NFL PLAYOFFS BENGALS 27, BILLS 10

Cincy takes rematch

Bengals win, book a return trip to AFC title game

By John Wawrow
Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Joe Burrow threw two touchdown passes, the Bengals defense swarmed Josh Allen on a snow-slicked field and they advanced to their second straight AFC championship game with a 27-10 win over the Bills on Sunday.

Damar Hamlin's inspirational presence while watching the game from an end-zone suite was not enough to spark the Bills in a rematch of a regular-season game that was canceled on Jan. 2 when the Bills safety went into cardiac arrest and had to be resuscitated on the field in Cincinnati.

Instead, it was "Joe Cool" showing poise while playing in a persistent snowfall.

Burrow completed his first nine passes for 105 yards in leading the Bengals to a 14-0 lead after their first two possessions. Ja'Marr Chase opened the scoring with a 28-yard TD catch 3:20 into the game, followed by

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INSIDE

The 49ers defense shut down Dak Prescott and the Cowboys 19-12 to return to the NFC title game. **Page 3**

BLACKHAWKS

Goalie Stauber beats Blues in his 1st NHL appearance

By Phil Thompson
Chicago Tribune

Are there any more old scores for the Blackhawks to settle? Any embarrassing streaks to extinguish?

The Hawks beat the Blues on the road Saturday for the first time since Oct. 6, 2018 — a stretch of six straight losses — with a 5-3 upset of their division rivals.

Two nights before, they snapped a 16-game road losing streak against the Philadelphia Flyers with a 4-1 victory.

The Hawks struggled through a monthlong stretch in which they went 1-13-0, but they bounced back with six wins in seven games before Sunday night's 2-1 loss to the Los Angeles Kings at the United Center. They hadn't won six of seven since February 2021.

"I saw it coming before we got here," coach Luke Richardson said. "The two or three games before we got to this stretch, we were playing some good hockey and we just couldn't connect and we were maybe not getting the scoring chances. When guys aren't confident, they don't shoot confident.

"But when we got over that hump and got that first win, it was a breath of fresh air and our guys have just enjoyed each other. ... It becomes infectious and contagious."

The Hawks celebrated several individual accomplishments against the Blues.

■ Sam Lafferty scored his sixth goal and third short-handed, which is tied for second in the NHL.

■ Seth Jones had a point in his fourth straight game, with a total of eight in that span.

■ Reese Johnson scored goals in back-to-back games for the first time in his career.

■ Max Domi scored his team-leading 14th goal.

■ And topping them all, goalie Jaxson Stauber won his NHL

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KINGS 2, BLACKHAWKS 1

Battling, but a loss

Blackhawks right wing Patrick Kane, left, watches the puck move away from the goal after goaltender Petr Mrazek blocked a shot during the second period of the Blackhawks' 2-1 loss to the Kings on Sunday night at the United Center. **BELOW:** Blackhawks defenseman Jake McCabe, left, defenseman Seth Jones, center, and right wing Taylor Raddysh fight for possession of the puck with Kings left wing Kevin Fiala and center Jaret Anderson-Dolan. **For coverage, go to chicagotribune.com/sports**

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debut, making 28 saves. He's the first Hawks goaltender to win his first game since Collin Delia on March 29, 2018.

"I don't know, I can't even put it into words," Stauber said during the NBC Sports Chicago broadcast. "I'm so excited and so happy."

Stauber, who wore his Rockford IceHogs mask with his Hawks uniform, had his family in attendance.

"It's awesome," said Stauber, whose father is former Los Angeles Kings goalie Robb Stauber. "They've been with me from day one, and to share this experience and this moment with them is really special."

The highs

■ Stauber got tested early but survived three shots in the first 65 seconds, making his first career save against ex-Hawk Brandon Saad just 8 seconds into the game. He escaped the first period with 11 saves.

"They had a few shots there, and that kind of helps get you into the game," he said. "After the first few shots, I started to settle in. I felt good."

Stauber faced four penalty kills — not exactly easing him into the job — and held his own, giving up one power-play goal and two at even strength.

"Excellent start," Richardson said. "I didn't think we were terrible in the beginning, but he had some really big saves at the beginning of the game. Looked calm and comfortable, played the puck extremely well all night."

■ It was the Lafferty and Jason Dickinson show in the first period. Lafferty slid a cross-ice pass to Dickinson, who one-timed the opening goal to Jordan Binnington's open side. Dickinson returned the favor on the Hawks' second penalty kill, stripping the puck from Saad and springing Lafferty on the breakaway for his third short-handed goal of the season.

Richardson said Lafferty "was our best skater in the first period."

"I said to the guys, 'It's obvious why he had success in the first period,' " Richardson said. "He was moving his feet and aggressive and shooting pucks. He was playing feisty too. He was in their face and he had a real good, complete game all night. I loved it."

Richardson also praised Dickinson's checking and chemistry with Lafferty.

"Those two kind of feed off each other," he said. "I know they like playing with each other and they do a great job on the penalty kill."

■ The penalty kill has been lights out lately despite giving up a goal Saturday. Coming into the game, the Hawks had killed 11 straight penalties and they killed the Blues' first two — and even got Lafferty's short-handed goal. But they pressed their luck with a third infraction, Jake McCabe's tripping penalty, and Jordan Kyrou roofed a shot past Stauber. The fourth penalty kill was a beauty with the Hawks giving up no attempts on goal.

■ Andreas Athanasiou made a heady play on his second-period goal. He raced into the zone and pulled up, prompting defender Tyler Tucker to slow down with him, then used Tucker as a screen to score on Binnington, who also had Lafferty crossing his line of sight.

■ McCabe made a diving breakup of a Blues two-on-one to help preserve a 4-3 lead in the third period.

The lows

■ The Hawks have gotten pretty good at gumming up the neutral zone and taking the steam out of opponents' entries. But Patrick Kane lost a two-on-one puck battle near the blue line, and the Blues turned the puck back while catching the Hawks in a line change. The Blues made a clean entry with numbers, Kyrou passed down low to Ivan Barbashev and Barbashev backhanded a goal between Stauber's legs.

Richardson said the problem was "losing our F3 (forward with defensive responsibility) on our forecheck, just getting a little too anxious and it gave them some line rushes and they scored on one of them."

■ The Hawks couldn't muster a shot on goal for the first 10 minutes, but when they finally did, they made it count: Dickinson put the Hawks on the board first.

■ As good as the penalty kill has been, four PKs is a failure of discipline, especially when you have a goalie making his first NHL start. McCabe had two tripping penalties and the second one set up Kyrou's power play goal for the Blues' first score. A lack of stick discipline — hooks, holds and trips especially — was a problem for the Hawks earlier this season.

■ The Hawks didn't seem ready for the Blues' push in the third period. They were hemmed in for more than a minute when Nick Leddy pulled the Blues within 4-3 midway through the third.

"They got the one goal on a bit of a D-zone scramble," Richardson said. "Got to just get that out."

That offensive pressure backfired on the Blues later, however. The Hawks broke out with numbers and Domi all but sealed the game with the Hawks' fifth goal.

Stat of the game: 28 seconds

Stauber had just given up Leddy's goal to cut the lead to 4-3 and found himself in another nail-biting situation after the Blues won a faceoff in the Hawks zone. Robert Thomas took a cross-crease pass and — 28 seconds after Leddy's goal — tried to beat Stauber at the doorstep, but the young goalie slid over to make the stop.

"Anytime you can come across and be in control like that, it's huge," Stauber said during the NBC Sports Chicago broadcast.

Said Richardson: "That's a sign of a real good goaltender, that if you can react on the next play after a goal going in and not being fazed and just going back to your game and being strong, I think that's a real good start for him."

Where they stand

The Hawks are 14-27-4 after the loss to the Kings, with the Anaheim Ducks and Columbus Blue Jackets below them in the standings (and ahead of them in the race for Connor Bedard).

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49ers quarterback Brock Purdy runs past Cowboys defensive end Dorance Armstrong during the second half Sunday in Santa Clara, Calif. TONY AVELAR/AP

NFL PLAYOFFS 49ERS 19, COWBOYS 12

49ers wear down Cowboys, return to NFC title game

By Josh Dubow
Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Christian McCaffrey scored on a go-ahead 2-yard run in the fourth quarter and the San Francisco defense did the rest, sending the 49ers to their second straight NFC title game with a 19-12 victory over the Dallas Cowboys on Sunday.

The 49ers used back-to-back long scoring drives in the second half to wear down the Cowboys and win their 12th straight game. They advanced to play the Eagles in the NFC title game next Sunday in Philadelphia after losing in that round to the Los Angeles Rams a year ago.

The Cowboys lost for the record seventh straight time in the divisional round and have failed to make it to the NFC title game since winning their fifth Super Bowl title after the 1995 season.

Dak Prescott threw two interceptions and Brett Maher missed his fifth extra point of the postseason when his attempt was blocked. He later made two field goals.

The Cowboys had a shot when they took over at their 18 with 2:59 remaining, trailing 19-12 after Robbie Gould's fourth field goal capped a nearly eight-minute drive.

But Prescott threw two straight incompletions and was sacked on third down. Coach Mike McCarthy opted to punt on fourth-and-10 with all three timeouts left.

Rookie Brock Purdy started the next drive with a 16-yard completion to George Kittle, and the 49ers didn't give the ball back until there were 45 seconds left at the 6. The Cowboys never got close from there.

Purdy, the last pick in the draft last April, improved to 7-0 as a starter since replacing an injured Jimmy Garoppolo early in Week 13. He went 18 of 28 for 215 yards with no turnovers against the Cowboys, joining Joe Flacco (2008) and Mark Sanchez (2009) as the only rookie QBs to win two playoff starts.

The 49ers took the lead on the first play of the fourth quarter when McCaffrey capped a 91-yard drive with a 2-yard run.

The drive featured a juggling 30-yard catch by Kittle and a pair of defensive holding calls against the Cowboys — including one on Donovan Wilson near the goal line that negated a third-down sack.

Maher made his second field goal of the game when he converted from 43 yards out to cut San Francisco's lead to 16-12.

The NFL's top two scoring teams over the last 13 weeks had trouble getting going as the defenses led by All-Pros Nick Bosa of San Francisco and Micah Parsons of Dallas controlled the play.

The 49ers turned two Prescott interceptions in the first half into field goals by Gould and led 9-6 at the half.

The Cowboys scored the only touchdown of the first half with Prescott connecting with tight end Dalton Schultz for the third time this postseason. But Maher's low extra-point attempt was blocked by Samson Ebukam.

Maher got some redemption when he made a 25-yard field goal that tied the score at 9 early in the third quarter after Ray-Ray McCloud fumbled a punt return at the San Francisco 21.

Injuries

Cowboys: RB Tony Pollard left late in the first half after injuring his left ankle while getting tackled following a reception. He didn't return. ... DT Calvin Watkins (calf) left in the first half.

49ers: DE Charles Omenihu (oblique) left briefly in the first half but returned.

Up next

The 49ers would reach their second Super Bowl in four seasons with a win in Philadelphia.

Bengals

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Burrow's 15-yard TD throw to Hayden Hurst eight minutes later. Joe Mixon scored on a 1-yard run, and Evan McPherson made field goals from 20 and 28 yards in a game.

The Bengals advanced to consecutive AFC championship games for the first time in franchise history, and will again travel to play Patrick Mahomes and the Chiefs. The Bengals beat the Chiefs 27-24 to advance to last year's Super Bowl, which they lost to the Rams.

"It's going to be fun," said Burrow, who went 23 of 36 for 242 yards. "Two of the top guys in the league, two of the top teams ... great teams, great coaches."

The Bengals have won the last three meetings against the Chiefs, including a 27-24 victory last month. The Chiefs are making their fifth straight appearance in the AFC championship game following a 27-20 win over the Jaguars on Saturday.

The Bills' playoff run ended in the divisional round for a second straight season, including a 42-36 overtime loss to the Chiefs last year.

Had the Bills defeated the Bengals, the AFC championship would have been held in Atlanta next weekend because the Bills (13-3) finished the season a half-game behind the Chiefs (14-3) after their regular-season game against the Bengals was canceled.

"Better send those refunds," Burrow said, referring to Bills and Chiefs fans.

The Bengals mixed in their running attack to keep the Bills off balance in a first half in which the visitors outgained the Bills in total yards by a margin of 274-135, and 412-325 overall. Mixon's 105 yards rushing alone were 1 short of how many the Bengals combined in their last two games, both against the Ravens.

"Domination from start to finish," Burrow added. "That's what we expected. Job's not finished."

The Bengals held one of the NFL's top offenses to season-low 10 points. And the unit got a chance to celebrate by making snow angels in the end zone after Cam Taylor-Britt intercepted Allen's attempt at the goal line to essentially end the game with 62 seconds remaining.

Allen finished 25 of 42 for 265 yards.

"They came out, they played hard," Allen said. "We just didn't have it today."

It was a dud of an outing for a Bills team that opened the season with Super Bowl aspirations, and eventually ran out of emotional and physical gas. Aside from the stunning sight of Hamlin's collapse, the Bills had their schedule twice disrupted by severe winter storms.

Injuries also played an issue. The Bills' pass rush, missing Von Miller since he sustained a season-ending knee injury in November, generated very little pressure against a Bengals offensive line missing three starters due to injuries.

"We were expecting their best punch and they came out and punched us," Allen said.

The Bengals extended their franchise-best streak to 10 straight wins. They haven't lost since a 32-13 road loss to the Browns on Halloween.

ASK THE REPORTER

BRAD BIGGS

Being a lifelong fan, I've been confronted with an even bigger question regarding the Bears' likely move to Arlington Heights. I'm nervous as a tattooed individual and die-hard fan of the "C" logo whether they'd eliminate Chicago from the name and change it to the Arlington Heights Bears. — *Joseph Q.*

You can rest easy about having to head to the tattoo parlor to see if the artist can turn a "C" into a fancy "AH." The Bears won't change their name if they play home games in Arlington Heights. The Dallas Cowboys don't play in Dallas. The San Francisco 49ers don't play in San Francisco. The New York Giants and Jets play in New Jersey. The Washington Commanders play in Maryland. The Buffalo Bills play in Orchard Park, N.Y.

Assuming things go somewhat smoothly, what would a rough completion date be for a new stadium? — *@darin926*

Pure guess: I can't see the Bears playing home games in Arlington Heights before 2026 at the earliest. One thing Kevin Warren said Tuesday that stood out was the fact the Minnesota Vikings spent an entire year planning the construction of U.S. Bank Stadium. This is a massive parcel of land, and it would require a ton of work and infrastructure upgrades. You're looking at a minimum of three more seasons at Soldier Field in my mind, maybe four.

Are there any significant positives of Luke Getsy coaching at the Senior Bowl? — *@lavine_x_fields*

There isn't a negative. Getsy will be the head coach for one of the teams and will have three Bears assistants with him — linebackers coach Dave Borgonzi, assistant special teams coach Carlos Polk and assistant tight ends coach Tim Zetts. They will have some insight on players in the scouting process, which could prove useful in the pre-draft process.

Which free-agent running backs do you see as an upgrade to David Montgomery? — *@briefkase20*

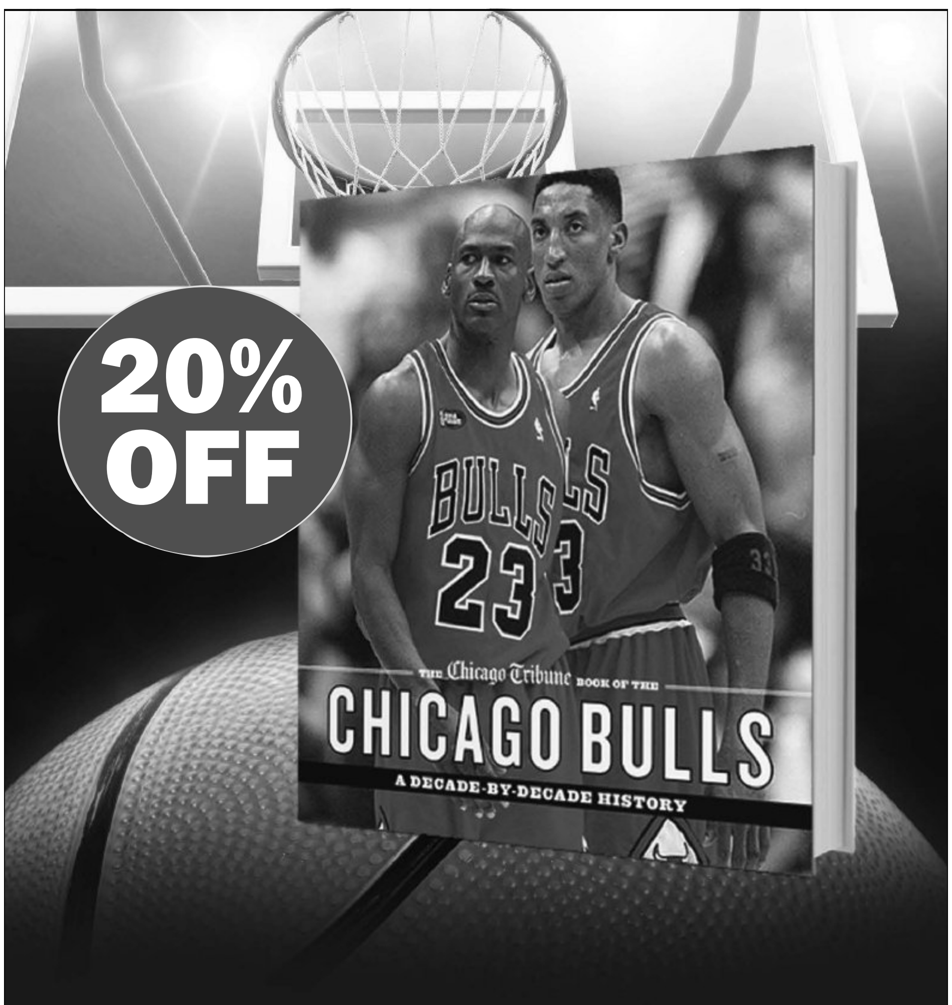
Saquon Barkley, Josh Jacobs and Tony Pollard all would be more coveted if they reach the open market, and the Philadelphia Eagles' Miles Sanders enhanced his value this season. The first three are the big names to keep an eye on. Would the Bears sink big money in a running back? GM Ryan Poles came from Kansas City, where the Chiefs have done pretty well for some time rolling through players on rookie contracts and finding useful castoffs such as Jerick McKinnon. It wouldn't surprise me if the Bears were to make a splash at running back in free agency, but I've always been leery of big contracts at the position. Maybe the Bears would consider an investment there as an idea to support Justin Fields, and if that's the case it could make sense. But so many big running back contracts have gone bad.

Any update on Tevin Jenkins and his back/neck issues? — *@ht_hybridtheory*

Jenkins flashed quite a bit this season. The problem is he was on the field for only 576 snaps, and durability concerns will follow him until he proves he can stay healthy. At the end of the season, Jenkins indicated he planned to work on exercises to strengthen his neck. He's doing Pilates to help with his back, which wasn't as much of an issue this season as a hip injury and then the stingers/neck issue. His third season will be pivotal. A stellar season could put him in line for a major contract.

The free-agent class at defensive tackle looks strong with several intriguing players at the three-technique position. If the Bears make a big splash on a three-technique in free agency, do you think that makes them less likely to go for Jalen Carter in the draft? — *@mosconml*

Free agency always serves as a road map of sorts heading into the draft. Teams that will clear needs in free agency can change their draft focus somewhat. The Commanders' Daron Payne and Denver Broncos' Dre'Mont Jones will make a fortune if they reach the open market. The Arizona Cardinals' Zach Allen and Vikings' Dalvin Tomlinson could be three-technique options for some teams. If the Bears spend big on a three-technique, I would imagine they would be less likely to select Carter. But you never know, especially if they believe one of the veterans has positional flexibility.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Sullivan

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special because all those years of losing didn't deter one's fandom. Would that change with a championship?

Lin remarked that Cubs fans "mark our generations by the abject failures that defined our youth: 1945 and the goat, 1969 and the black cat, 1984 and the Bull.

"Will my son or my wife or you ever forget the details of Inning 8, Game 6 of the National League Championship Series of 2003? With all due respect to the science of psychology, there is not enough winning in the world to take those crucial moments away. They are a part of who we are.

"These Cub plunges into the abyss are as permanent as the mark left by a branding iron. Cub fans have passed through a narrowing chute where we have been marked for life."

In the end, Lin decided a World Series victory would not spoil the essence of being a Cubs fan: "And if we end the season with the Cubs in seven, I promise we will breathe again because we will no longer be holding our breath."

The Cubs won in seven, of course, and Lin rejoiced like the rest of their fans. That didn't change Lin's approach to the team or make him any less apprehensive about its ability to let him down in crucial moments down the road.

I met Lin at one of his opening-day shows at Yak-Zies a couple of decades ago, and he often texted me from his seat at Wrigley Field, sometimes with blunt messages regarding the state of the Cubs that afternoon, like the one that said: "Got any morphine?"

One day in 2020 he told me he had bet on the Cubs to lose that day. I chided him for being so anti-Cub for a Cubs fan.

"No, I'm fine losing money if the Cubs win," he texted back.

Sometimes I'd wander down from the Wrigley press box for an inning and watch the game with Lin and his family and friends, including one fateful September day in 2019.

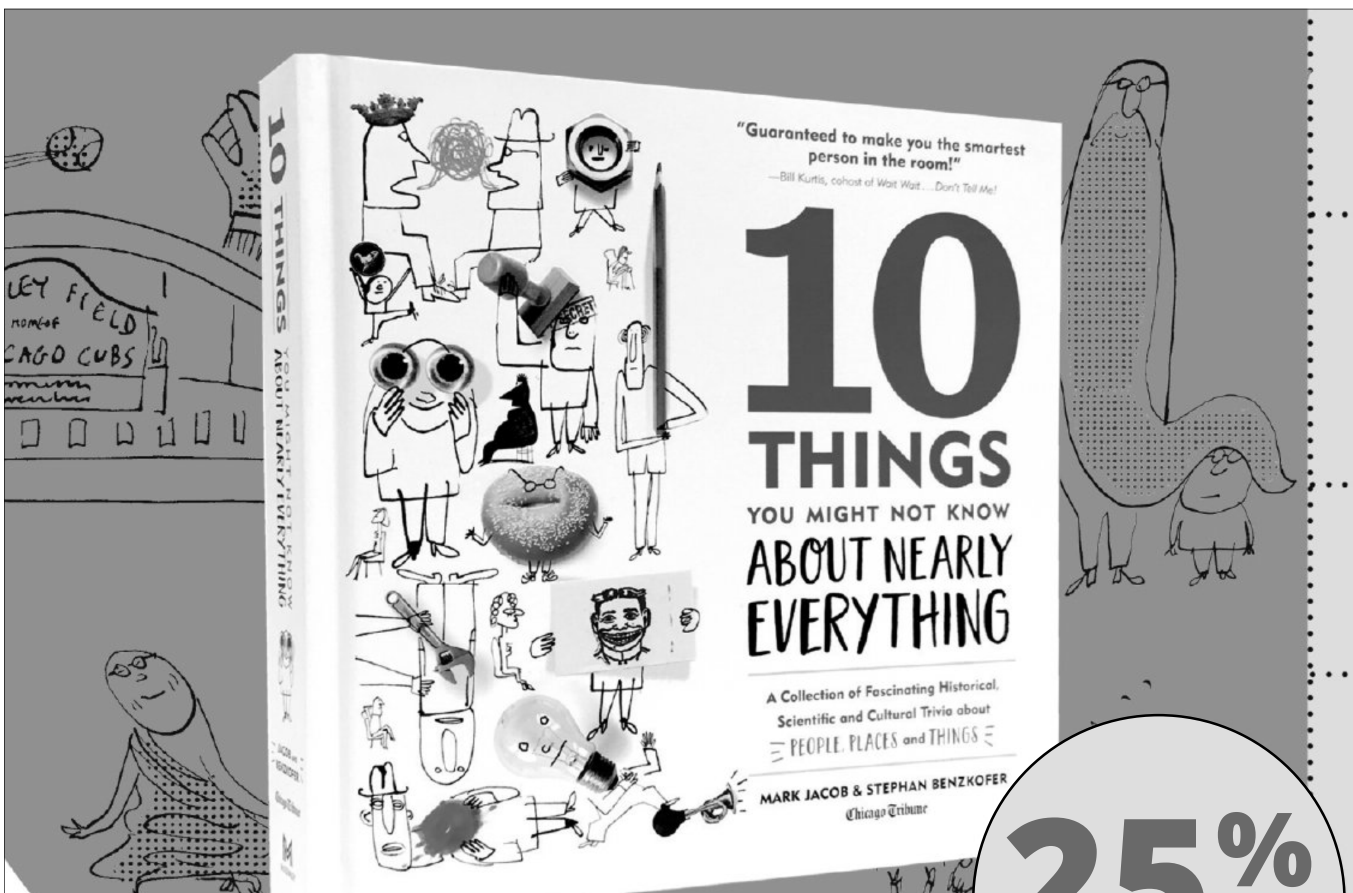
Cubs closer Craig Kimbrel served up back-to-back home runs in the ninth inning in a stunning loss to the St. Louis Cardinals. Lin just sat there in his Cubs cap and black Engine No. 78 T-shirt, scorecard in hand, shaking his head with a knowing grin.

Another scar from the Cubs branding iron. But he'd get through it like always. It was all part of being a Cubs fan.

Lin always seemed invincible, even after missing time last summer while undergoing chemotherapy. His motto, "It's great to be alive," made us feel as though he always would be there for us, picking the perfect soundtrack for our morning drive or a run by the lake or just lounging on the couch while trying to get over a hangover.

We'll never forget his voice or his way with words or his ability to find the right song for the right moment and put you in a better mood.

Lin wasn't from Chicago, but he was all about Chicago.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FACT #178
Genuphobia is the fear of knees.

FACT #238
Actress Marilyn Monroe colored her hair using a shade of blond called dirty pillow slip.

FACT #279
Before Sir Thomas More was beheaded in 1535, he moved his lengthy beard aside, saying it "had never committed any treason."

FACT #302
Tweety Bird, the animated Looney Tunes character, was originally pink. But censors complained that Tweety looked naked, so animators gave the bird yellow feathers.

FACT #408
Joe Charbonneau, a Belvedere, Ill., native, who played outfield for the Cleveland Indians in the early '80s , used to open beer bottles with his eye socket and drink beer through a straw in his nose.

FACT #459
When actor Clint Eastwood ran for mayor of Carmel, California, in 1986, a major issue was ice cream. Town leaders had banned the sale of ice cream cones, incensing Eastwood and his supporters. They won and overturned the ordinance.

SCOREBOARD

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston	35	12	.745	—
Philadelphia	30	16	.652	4 ½
Brooklyn	28	17	.622	6
New York	25	23	.521	10 ½
Toronto	21	27	.438	14 ½

SOUTHEAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Miami	26	22	.542	—
Atlanta	24	23	.511	1 ½
Washington	20	26	.435	5
Orlando	17	29	.370	8
Charlotte	13	34	.277	12 ½

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB
Milwaukee	29	17	.630	—
Cleveland	29	19	.604	1
Indiana	23	25	.479	7
Chicago	21	24	.467	7 ½
Detroit	12	36	.250	18

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Memphis	31	15	.674	—
New Orleans	26	21	.553	5 ½
Dallas	25	23	.521	7
San Antonio	14	32	.304	17
Houston	10	36	.217	21

NORTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Denver	33	14	.702	—
Minnesota	24	24	.500	9 ½
Utah	24	25	.490	10
Oklahoma City	23	24	.489	10
Portland	21	24	.467	11

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Sacramento	26	19	.578	—
L.A. Clippers	25	24	.510	3
Phoenix	24	24	.500	3 ½
Golden State	23	23	.500	3 ½
L.A. Lakers	21	25	.457	5 ½

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
L.A. Clippers 112, Dallas 98
Miami 100, New Orleans 96
Toronto 125, New York 116
Oklahoma City 101, Denver 99
Phoenix 112, Memphis 110
Brooklyn at Golden State, late
L.A. Lakers at Portland, late

MONDAY'S GAMES
Boston at Orlando, 6p.m.
Milwaukee at Detroit, 6p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 7p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 7p.m.
Charlotte at Utah, 8p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 9p.m.
Memphis at Sacramento, 9:30p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Chicago at Indiana, 6p.m.
Boston at Miami, 6:30p.m.
Cleveland at New York, 6:30p.m.
Denver at New Orleans, 7p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 7:30p.m.
Charlotte at Phoenix, 8p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 9p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Indiana at Orlando, 6p.m.
Brooklyn at Philadelphia, 6:30p.m.
Atlanta at Oklahoma City, 7p.m.
Denver at Milwaukee, 7p.m.
Minnesota at New Orleans, 7p.m.
Washington at Houston, 7p.m.
Memphis at Golden State, 9p.m.
Toronto at Sacramento, 9p.m.
Utah at Portland, 9p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 9:30p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Boston 106, Toronto 104
Washington 138, Orlando 118
Cleveland 114, Milwaukee 102
Charlotte 122, Atlanta 118
Minnesota 113, Houston 104
Phoenix 112, Indiana 107
Philadelphia 129, Sacramento 127

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

through Saturday's games

ASSISTS/GAME	APG	TM	G	AST
Tyrese Haliburton	10.2	IND	40	409
Nikola Jokic	9.9	DEN	41	405
Trae Young	9.8	ATL	42	411
Luka Doncic	8.8	DAL	42	368
Darius Garland	8.1	CLE	39	314
Ja Morant	7.9	MEM	38	300
Russell Westbrook	7.7	LAL	43	330
Mike Conley	7.5	UTA	37	279
Jrue Holiday	7.5	MIL	35	261
Domantas Sabonis	7.3	SAC	43	314
Damian Lillard	7.2	POR	33	238
Marcus Smart	7.2	BOS	41	294
LeBron James	7.0	LAL	36	252
Draymond Green	6.8	GSW	41	278
Pascal Siakam	6.5	TOR	37	242
Fred VanVleet	6.4	TOR	38	244
Tre Jones	6.4	SAS	45	288
Jalen Brunson	6.3	NYK	44	278

TENNIS

111TH AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Sunday at Melbourne Park, Melbourne, Australia, hardcourt outdoors

MEN'S SINGLES, FOURTH ROUND
#3 Stefanos Tsitsipas d. #15Jannik Sinner, 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 4-6, 6-3.
Jiri Lehecka d. #6Felix Auger-Aliassime, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6(2), 7-6(3).
#29 Sebastian Korda d. #10 Hubert Hurkacz, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 1-6, 7-6(7).
#18Karen Khachanov d. #31Yoshihito Nishioka, 6-0, 6-0, 7-6(4).

EARLY MONDAY, FOURTH ROUND
#4Novak Djokovic vs. #22Alex de Minaur, late
#5Andrey Rublev vs. #9Holger Rune, late
#24Roberto Bautista Agut vs. Tommy Paul, late
Jeffrey John Wolf vs. Ben Shelton, late

WOMEN'S SINGLES, FOURTH ROUND
#22Elena Rybakina d. #1Iga Swiatek, 6-4, 6-4.
#3 Jessica Pegula d. #20 Barbora Krejcikova, 7-5, 6-2.
#17 Jelena Ostapenko d. #7Coco Gauff, 7-5, 6-3.
#24 Victoria Azarenka d. Zhu Lin, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

EARLY MONDAY, FOURTH ROUND
Magda Linette d. #4Caroline Garcia, 7-6(3), 6-4.
#5Aryna Sabalenka d. #11Belinda Bencic, 7-5, 6-2.
#23Shuai Zhang vs. #30Karlina Pliskova, late
Donna Vekic d. Linda Fruhvirtova, 6-2, 1-6, 6-3.

ODDS

NBA **MONDAY**

FAVORITE	LINE	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Detroit	Off	(off)	Milwaukee
at Orlando	Off	(off)	Boston
Minnesota	6½	(off)	at Houston
at Chicago	1	(off)	Atlanta
at Utah	8	(off)	Charlotte
at Portland	9	(off)	San Antonio
Memphis	1½	(off)	at Sacramento

NHL **MONDAY**

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
at Toronto	-220	NY Islanders	+180
at NY Rangers	-146	Florida	+120
at Dallas	-178	Buffalo	+146
at Calgary	-375	Columbus	+290

COLLEGE BASKETBALL **MONDAY**

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Virginia Tech	1½	Duke
at Coastal Carolina	8	Chicago State
at Detroit Mercy	5½	Oakland
Colgate	5	at Boston U.
Penn	14	at Hartford
at Western Illinois	6½	North Dakota
at Howard	8	Coppin State
Norfolk State	3½	at Morgan State
at NC Central	7½	Md-Eastern Shore
at S. Carolina St.	7	Delaware State
at Alcorn State	10½	Bethune-Cookman
Prairie View A&M	2½	at Alabama A&M
Grambling	3½	at UAPB
at Jackson St.	11½	Florida A&M
Southern	8½	at Miss. Valley St.
Texas Southern	3	at Alabama St.
at Nevada	2½	New Mexico
at Baylor	3½	Kansas

NFL PLAYOFFS **SUNDAY**

FAVORITE	NOW	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Philadelphia	2	(45)	San Francisco
at Kansas City	1½	(47½)	Cincinnati

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NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Boston	46	37	5	4	78	177	96
Toronto	47	28	11	8	64	158	125
Tampa Bay	45	29	15	1	59	163	135
Florida	48	23	20	5	51	163	163
Buffalo	45	23	19	3	49	172	155
Detroit	45	19	18	8	46	138	153
Ottawa	46	20	23	3	43	133	152
Montreal	47	20	24	3	43	125	171
METRO.	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Carolina	46	29	9	8	66	151	124
New Jersey	46	30	12	4	64	161	121
N.Y. Rangers	46	25	14	7	57	145	123
Washington	49	25	18	6	56	156	139
Pittsburgh	46	23	15	8	54	148	138
N.Y. Islanders	48	23	20	5	51	141	136
Philadelphia	48	20	21	7	47	133	155
Columbus	46	14	30	2	30	119	180

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Dallas	48	28	13	7	63	167	124
Winnipeg	48	31	16	1	63	160	126
Minnesota	45	25	16	4	54	143	130
Colorado	45	25	17	3	53	141	124
Nashville	46	22	18	6	50	129	136
St. Louis	47	23	21	3	49	149	167
Arizona	47	15	27	5	35	123	170
Chicago	45	14	27	4	32	108	163
PACIFIC	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Vegas	48	29	17	2	60	156	139
Seattle	46	27	14	5	59	166	144
Los Angeles	49	26	17	6	58	159	167
Edmonton	48	27	18	3	57	178	157
Calgary	47	22	16	9	53	150	143
Vancouver	46	18	25	3	39	155	186
San Jose	48	14	25	9	37	145	184
Anaheim	47	13	29	5	31	113	199

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
New Jersey 2, Pittsburgh 1, OT
Los Angeles 2, Chicago 1
Winnipeg 5, Philadelphia 3
Boston 4, San Jose 0
Arizona 4, Vegas 1

MONDAY'S GAMES
Florida at N.Y. Rangers, 6p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6p.m.
Buffalo at Dallas, 7:30p.m.
Columbus at Calgary, 8:30p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Buffalo 6, Anaheim 3
Calgary 6, Tampa Bay 3
Florida 5, Minnesota 3
Columbus 5, San Jose 3
Winnipeg 5, Ottawa 1
Philadelphia 2, Detroit 1
Montreal 3, Toronto 2, OT
Carolina 5, N.Y. Islanders 2
Dallas 4, Arizona 0
Chicago 5, St. Louis 3
Nashville 5, Los Angeles 3
Vegas 6, Washington 2
Edmonton 4, Vancouver 2
Colorado 2, Seattle 1, SO

GOLF

LPGA HILTON GRAND VACATIONS TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

4th of 4 rounds, Lake Nona G&CC, Orlando, Fla., 6,608 yards; Par: 72

272 (-16)	**$225,000**
Brooke Henderson	67-66-69-70
276 (-12)	**$152,898**
Charley Hull	69-69-69-69
Maja Stark	71-68-68-69
277 (-11)	**$99,457**
Nelly Korda	68-69-68-72
279 (-9)	**$80,052**
Nasa Hataoka	71-68-66-74
280 (-8)	**$56,117**
Gaby Lopez	73-68-69-70
Paula Reto	74-69-67-70
Yuka Saso	70-73-67-70
282 (-6)	**$41,239**
Ashleigh Buhai	69-75-67-71
Leona Maguire	71-69-73-69
283 (-5)	**$36,386**
Moriya Jutanugarn	74-67-69-73
284 (-4)	**$31,890**
Danielle Kang	71-69-70-74
Anna Nordqvist	71-72-68-73
Ryann O'Toole	72-70-70-72
285 (-3)	**$28,139**
Wei-Ling Hsu	69-69-74-73
286 (-2)	**$25,907**
Gemma Dryburgh	69-73-71-73
Jennifer Kupcho	73-74-71-68
287 (-1)	**$23,158**
Pajaree Anannarukarn	71-72-72-72
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	70-72-69-76
Ayaka Furue	71-70-73-73
288 (E)	**$20,377**
Marina Alex	75-74-69-70
Matilda Castren	72-70-74-72
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	72-72-74-70
Lizette Salas	71-77-72-68
289 (+1)	**$18,533**
Ally Ewing	79-70-68-72
290 (+2)	**$17,855**
Celine Boutier	71-73-70-76
291 (+3)	**$17,174**
Andrea Lee	74-71-74-72
302 (+14)	**$16,495**
Patty Tavatanakit	72-74-78-78
309 (+21)	**$15,816**
Ariya Jutanugarn	84-77-72-76

PGA: THE AMERICAN EXPRESS

4th of 4 rounds, La Quinta, Calif.,a-PGA WEST TPC Stadium Course (Host Course), 7,187 yards, Par 72 b-PGA WEST Nicklaus Tournament Course 7,147 yards: Par 72 c-La Quinta Country Club, 7,060 yards; Par 72
Note: Tournament is played on three courses.

261 (-27)	**$1,440,000**
Jon Rahm	64c-64b-65a-68a
262 (-26)	**$872,000**
Davis Thompson	62c-64b-67a-69a
263 (-25)	**$472,000**
Chris Kirk	69c-67b-63a-64a
Xander Schauffele	65c-68b-68a-62a
264 (-24)	**$328,000**
Taylor Montgomery	64c-69b-65a-66a
265 (-23)	**$252,400**
Tom Kim	69c-62b-67a-67a
J.T. Poston	65b-66a-66c-68a
Matthias Schmid	64a-72c-65b-64a
Robby Shelton	66a-68c-65b-66a
Erik Van Rooyen	65a-72c-66b-62a
266 (-22)	**$171,600**
Christiaan Bezuidenhout	68a-67c-62b-69a
Sam Burns	64a-70c-64b-68a
Garrick Higgo	67a-68c-68b-63a
Patton Kizzire	69c-63b-67a-67a
Scottie Scheffler	68c-65b-66a-67a
267 (-21)	**$134,000**
Tony Finau	69c-67b-65a-66a
Danny Lee	67a-68c-67b-65a
268 (-20)	**$110,000**
Jason Day	67b-64a-70c-67a
Adam Hadwin	68c-69b-64a-67a
Harry Higgs	70a-66c-62b-70a
Sungjae Im	65b-66a-68c-69a

PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CHAMPIONSHIP AT HUALALAI

3rd of 3 rounds, Hualalai GC, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, 7,107 yds; Par 72

Steve Stricker	68-60-65—193	-23
Steven Alker	69-67-63—199	-17
Darren Clarke	65-66-68—199	-17
Ken Tanigawa	68-65-66—199	-17
Mike Weir	66-67-66—199	-17
Alex Cejka	66-64-70—200	-16
Ernie Els	66-68-66—200	-16
Kevin Sutherland	65-69-66—200	-16
Miguel Angel Jimenez	67-70-66—203	-13
Bernhard Langer	67-66-71—204	-12
Justin Leonard	66-67-71—204	-12
Fred Couples	74-66-65—205	-11
Thongchai Jaidee	71-65-69—205	-11
Jerry Kelly	69-64-72—205	-11
Scott McCarron	68-71-67—206	-10
Vijay Singh	69-70-67—206	-10
David Toms	70-67-69—206	-10
K.J. Choi	70-69-68—207	-9
Rocco Mediate	72-72-63—207	-9
Colin Montgomerie	69-68-70—207	-9
Corey Pavin	66-71-70—207	-9
Dicky Pride	68-71-68—207	-9

ABU DHABI HSBC CHAMPIONSHIP

4th of 4 rounds, Yas Links Abu Dhabi,Abu Dhabi, U.E.E., 7,425 yards; Par: 72

270 (-18)	**(1335), $1,413,350**
Victor Perez	71-65-68-66
271 (-17)	**(694), $719,146**
Min Woo Lee	68-69-66-68
Sebastian Soderberg	67-71-66-67
272 (-16)	**(400), $415,691**
Padraig Harrington	68-73-64-67

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

HOW MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED

No. 1 Houston (18-2) lost to Temple 56-55. Next: vs. UCF, Wednesday.
No. 2 Kansas (16-3) did not play. Next: at No. 21 Baylor, Monday.
No. 3 Purdue (19-1) beat Maryland 58-55. Next: at Michigan, Thursday.
No. 4 Alabama (17-2) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi, Wednesday.
No. 5 UCLA (17-3) did not play. Next: at Southen Cal, Thursday.
No. 6 Gonzaga (17-4) did not play. Next: at Portland, Saturday.
No. 7 Texas (16-3) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Tuesday.
No. 8 Xavier (16-4) did not play. Next: at No. 15 UConn, Wednesday.
No. 9 Tennessee (16-3) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia, Wednesday.
No. 10 Virginia (15-3) did not play. Next: vs. Boston College, Saturday.
No. 11 Arizona (17-3) did not play. Next: at Washington State, Thursday.
No. 12 Iowa State (14-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 13 Kansas State, Tuesday.
No. 13 Kansas State (17-2) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Iowa State, Tuesday.
No. 14 TCU (15-4) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma, Tuesday.
No. 15 UConn (16-5) beat Butler 86-56. Next: vs. No. 8 Xavier, Wednesday.
No. 16 Auburn (16-3) did not play. Next: vs. Texas A&M, Wednesday.
No. 17 Miami (15-4) did not play. Next: at Florida State, Tuesday.
No. 18 Charleston (21-1) did not play. Next: vs. Hofstra, Saturday.
No. 19 Clemson (16-4) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Tuesday.
No. 20 Marquette (16-5) did not play. Next: at DePaul, Saturday.
No. 21 Baylor (14-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 2 Kansas, Monday.
No. 22 Providence (15-5) did not play. Next: vs. Butler, Wednesday.
No. 23 Rutgers (13-6) did not play. Next: vs. Penn State Tuesday.
No. 24 Florida Atlantic (19-1) did not play. Next: vs. Middle Tennessee, Thursday.
No. 25 Arkansas (13-6) did not play. Next: vs. LSU, Tuesday.

SUNDAY'S SCORES

EAST
Albertus Magnus 76, Dean 64
CCSU 58, LIU 42
Carnegie Mellon 71, Washington (Mo.) 58
Chicago 85, Case Western 77
Emory 73, Brandeis 71, OT
Fairfield 62, Siena 52
Maine 78, Binghamton 57
Maine-Presque Isle 74, Maine Maritime 67
Mass.-Lowell 98, Bryant 79
Merrimack 63, St. Francis (NY) 55
Mount St. Mary's 59, Marist 55
Niagara 59, St. Peter's 57
Quinnipiac 87, Canisius 82
Rider 67, Manhattan 65
Rochester 72, NYU 55
Stonehill 70, Fairleigh Dickinson 59
UConn 86, Butler 56
Vermont 85, NJIT 69
Wagner 68, Sacred Heart 58
Yeshiva 69, Mary Washington 64
SOUTH
Berry 94, Rhodes 74
Birmingham Southern 94, Centre 89
Furman 96, Wofford 82
Georgia Southwestern 70, Limestone 64
Millsaps 93, Univ. of The South 73
Oglethorpe 73, Hendrix 70
MIDWEST
Fort Hays St. 74, Emporia St. 53
Indiana 82, Michigan St. 69
Memphis 75, Cincinnati 68
Michigan 60, Minnesota 56
Purdue 58, Maryland 55
SOUTHWEST
Temple 56, Houston 55
Wichita St. 71, SMU 69
WEST
Colorado 58, Washington St. 55
Hawaii Hilo 66, Holy Names 65
Oregon St. 68, California 48

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

through Saturday's games

ASSISTS/GAME	SCHOOL	AST	APG
Yuri Collins	St Louis	202	10.6
Markquis Nowell	Kansas St	156	8.2
Tyler Kolek	Marquette	163	7.8
Jalen Pickett	Penn State	136	7.2
Dajuan Harris	Kansas	125	6.6
Themus Fulks	Louisiana	128	6.4

HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED

No. 1 South Carolina (20-0) beat Arkansas 92-46. Next: at Alabama, Sunday.
No. 2 Ohio State (19-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 10 Iowa, Monday.
No. 3 LSU (19-0) did not play. Next: at Alabama, Monday.
No. 4 Stanford (19-2) beat No. 24 Colorado 62-49. Next: vs. Oregon State, Friday.
No. 5 UConn (17-2) did not play. Next: vs. DePaul, Monday.
No. 6 Indiana (17-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 14 Michigan, Monday.
No. 7 Notre Dame (16-2) beat Virginia 76-54. Next: vs. Florida State, Thursday.
No. 8 Utah (16-2) beat California 87-62. Next: vs. Southern Cal, Friday.
No. 9 UCLA (17-3) beat Washington State 73-66. Next: at No. 24 Colorado, Friday.
No. 10 Iowa (15-4) did not play. Next: at No. 2 Ohio State, Monday.
No. 11 Maryland (16-4) beat Nebraska 69-54. Next: vs. No. 14 Michigan, Thursday.
No. 12 Virginia Tech (16-3) beat Wake Forest 74-57. Next: at No. 13 Duke, Thursday.
No. 13 Duke (17-2) beat Syracuse 62-50. Nex: vs. No. 12 Virginia Tech, Thursday.
No. 14 Michigan (16-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 6 Indiana, Monday.
No. 15 Oklahoma (16-2) did not play. Next: at No. 25 Texas, Wednesday.
No. 16 Gonzaga (19-2) did not play. Next: vs. Loyola Marymount, Thursday.
No. 17 North Carolina (14-5) beat Georgia Tech 70-57. Next: at Pittsburgh, Thursday.
No. 18 Iowa State (13-4) did not play. Next: at TCU, Wednesday.
No. 19 Arizona (15-4) beat Arizona State 80-67. Next: vs. Washington, Friday.
No. 20 NC State (15-5) beat Louisville 63-51. Next: vs. No. 7 Notre Dame, Sunday.
No. 21 Illinois (16-4) beat Northwestern 67-64. Next: vs. Purdue, Thursday.
No. 22 Villanova (18-3) did not play. Next: at No. 5 UConn, Sunday.
No. 23 Oregon (13-6) did not play. Next: at California, Friday.
No. 24 Colorado (15-4) lost to No. 4 Stanford 62-49. Next: vs. No. 9 UCLA, Friday.
No. 25 Texas (14-6) beat Baylor 68-55. Next: vs. No. 15 Oklahoma, Wednesday.

SOCCER

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE

CLUB	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PT
Arsenal	19	16	2	1	45	16	50
Man City	20	14	3	3	53	20	45
Newcastle	20	10	9	1	33	11	39
Man United	20	12	3	5	32	25	39
Tottenham	20	10	3	7	39	31	33
Brighton	19	9	4	6	37	27	31
Fulham	20	9	4	7	32	29	31
Brentford	20	7	9	4	32	28	30
Liverpool	19	8	5	6	34	25	29
Chelsea	20	8	5	7	22	21	29
Aston Villa	20	8	4	8	23	27	28
Crystal Palace	20	6	6	8	18	27	24
Notting. Forest	20	5	6	9	16	35	21
Leicester	20	5	3	12	28	35	18
Leeds	19	4	6	9	26	33	18
West Ham	20	5	3	12	17	25	18
Wolverhampton	20	4	5	11	12	30	17
Bournemouth	20	4	5	11	19	42	17
Everton	20	3	6	11	15	28	15
Southampton	20	4	3	13	17	35	15

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Leeds 0, Brentford 0
Man City 3, Wolverhampton 0
Arsenal 3, Manchester United 2

MONDAY'S MATCH
Fulham vs. Tottenham, 2p.m.

NFL PLAYOFFS

DIVISIONAL ROUND

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 10
San Francisco 19, Dallas 12

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Kansas City 27, Jacksonville20
Philadelphia 38, N.Y. Giants 7

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUNDAY, JAN. 29
San Francisco (15-4) at Philadelphia (15-3), 2:05p.m. (FOX)
Cincinnati (14-4) at Kansas City (15-3), 5:30 p.m. (CBS)

SUPER BOWL LVII

Sunday, Feb. 12,
State Farm Stadium, Glendale, Ariz.
Conference champions, 5:30p.m. (FOX)

CINCINNATI 27, BUFFALO 10

Cincinnati	**14**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**—**	**27**
Buffalo	**0**	**7**	**3**	**0**	**—**	**10**

First Quarter
Cin: Chase 28pass from Burrow (McPherson kick), 11:40.
Cin: Hurst 15pass from Burrow (McPherson kick), 3:47.
Second Quarter
Buf: J.Allen 1run (Bass kick), 7:25.
Cin: FG McPherson 28, 1:49.
Third Quarter
Buf: FG Bass 25, 7:42.
Cin: Mixon 1run (McPherson kick), 1:17.
Fourth Quarter
Cin: FG McPherson 20, 11:22.
A: 70,733.

TEAM STATS	CIN	BUF
First downs	30	18
Third down efficiency	6-10	4-12
Fourth down efficiency	0-0	2-3
Total net yards	412	325
Rushes-yards	34-172	19-63
Passing	240	262
Punt returns	2-25	0-0
Kickoff returns	1-21	4-90
Interceptions ret.	1-0	0-0
Comp-att-int	23-36-0	25-42-1
Sacked-yards lost	1-2	1-3
Punts	2-36.5	4-44.75
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-yards	2-9	8-60
Time of possession	33:54	26:06

RUSHING: Cincinnati, Mixon 20-105, Perine 7-33, Burrow 6-31, Chase 1-3. Buffalo, Allen 8-26, Singletary 6-24, Cook 5-13.
PASSING: Cincinnati, Burrow 23-36-0-242. Buffalo, Allen 25-42-1-265.
RECEIVING: Cincinnati, Chase 5-61, Hurst 5-59, Perine 5-31, Higgins 3-28, Mixon 2-18, Boyd 1-23, Irwin 1-13, Wilcox 1-9. Buffalo, Knox 5-65, Singletary 5-38, Diggs 4-35, Beasley 3-33, Shakir 2-40, Davis 2-34, McKenzie 2-10, Morris 1-6, Hines 1-4.
TACKLES-ASSISTS-SACKS: Cincinnati, Hilton 6-2-0, Taylor-Britt 6-0-0, Bell 5-1-1, Apple 5-1-0, Bates 5-0-0, Pratt 5-0-0, L.Wilson 4-3-0, Reader 1-1-0, Davis-Gaither 1-0-0, Hubbard 1-0-0, B.Hill 0-3-0, Tupou 0-2-0, Carter 0-1-0. Buffalo, Edmunds 10-2-0, Milano 7-3-1, J.Johnson 5-2-0, T.Johnson 3-3-0, Poyer 3-3-0, Elam 3-1-0, White 3-1-0, Rousseau 3-0-0, Marlowe 2-1-0, Ankou 2-0-0, Lawson 1-1-0, Neal 1-1-0, Settle 1-1-0, Epenesa 1-0-0, Jackson 1-0-0, Lewis 1-0-0, Phillips 1-0-0, Oliver 0-1-0.
INTERCEPTIONS: Cincinnati, Taylor-Britt 1-0.
MISSED FIELD GOALS: None.

LATE SATURDAY: KANSAS CITY 27 JACKSONVILLE 20

Jacksonville	**7**	**3**	**0**	**10**	**—**	**20**
Kansas City	**7**	**10**	**3**	**7**	**—**	**27**

First Quarter
KC: Kelce 8pass from Mahomes (Butker kick), 7:56.
Jac: Kirk 10pass from Lawrence (Patterson kick), 5:04.
Second Quarter
KC: FG Butker 50, 14:09.
KC: Kelce 1pass from Henne (Butker kick), 3:54.
Jac: FG Patterson 41, :27.
Third Quarter
KC: FG Butker 50, :08.
Fourth Quarter
Jac: Etienne 4run (Patterson kick), 11:49.
KC: Valdes-Scantling 6pass from Mahomes (Butker kick), 7:08.
Jac: FG Patterson 48, :25.

TEAM STATS	JAC	KC
First downs	20	23
Total net yards	349	362
Rushes-yards	19-144	30-144
Passing	205	218
Punt returns	3-23	3-23
Kickoff returns	3-131	0-0
Interceptions ret.	0-0	1-1
Comp-att-int	24-39-1	27-37-0
Sacked-yards lost	2-12	0-0
Punts	4-47.75	4-50.75
Fumbles-lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-yards	5-40	3-30
Time of possession	24:59	35:01

RUSHING: Jacksonville, Etienne 10-62, Hasty 4-36, Lawrence 3-26, Kirk 1-18, Agnew 1-2. Kansas City, Pacheco 12-95, McKinnon 11-25, Toney 1-14, Mahomes 3-8, Moore 1-3, Gray 1-0, Henne 1-(minus 1).
PASSING: Jacksonville, Lawrence 24-39-1-217. Kansas City, Mahomes 22-30-0-195, Henne 5-7-0-23.
RECEIVING: Jacksonville, Kirk 7-52, Z.Jones 5-83, Engram 5-31, Etienne 3-18, Agnew 2-5, M.Jones 1-21, Hasty 1-7. Kansas City, Kelce 14-98, Toney 5-36, Smith-Schuster 2-29, Gray 1-27, Ju.Watson 1-12, Pacheco 1-6, Valdes-Scantling 1-6, Bell 1-4, Moore 1-0.

LATE SATURDAY: PHILADELPHIA 38, N.Y. GIANTS 7

N.Y. Giants	**0**	**0**	**7**	**0**	**—**	**7**
Philadelphia	**14**	**14**	**0**	**10**	**—**	**38**

First Quarter
Phi: Goedert 16pass from Hurts (Elliott kick), 10:06.
Phi: D.Smith 9pass from Hurts (Elliott kick), 1:21.
Second Quarter
Phi: B.Scott 3run (Elliott kick), 7:29.
Phi: Hurts 5run (Elliott kick), :43.
Third Quarter
NYG: Breida 8run (Gano kick), 6:15.
Fourth Quarter
Phi: FG Elliott 30, 5:16.
Phi: Gainwell 35run (Elliott kick), 1:51.

TEAM STATS	NYG	PHI
First downs	13	26
Total net yards	227	416
Rushes-yards	20-118	44-268
Passing	109	148
Punt returns	1--3	0-0
Kickoff returns	5-129	0-0
Interceptions ret.	0-0	1-8
Comp-att-int	15-27-1	16-24-0
Sacked-yards lost	5-26	1-6
Punts	5-43.2	3-43.0
Fumbles-lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-yards	1-5	5-25
Time of possession	24:17	35:43

RUSHING: N.Y. Giants, Barkley 9-61, Jones 6-24, Breida 4-23, Brightwell 1-10. Philadelphia, Gainwell 12-112, Sanders 17-90, Hurts 9-34, B.Scott 6-32.
PASSING: N.Y. Giants, Jones 15-27-1-135. Philadelphia, Hurts 16-24-0-154.
RECEIVING: N.Y. Giants, James 7-51, Barkley 2-21, Breida 1-19, M.Johnson 1-17, Cager 1-16, Bellinger 1-4, Slayton 1-4, Hodgins 1-3. Philadelphia, Smith 6-61, Goedert 5-58, Brown 3-22, Gainwell 1-9, Pascal 1-4.
PUNT RETURNS: NYG, James 1-(-3).
KICKOFF RETURNS: N.Y. Giants, Brightwell 5-129. Philadelphia, None.
INTERCEPTIONS: N.Y. Giants, None. Philadelphia, Bradberry 1-8.
TACKLES-ASSISTS-SACKS: N.Y. Giants, J.Smith 8-6-0, Love 8-0-0, Jackson 5-2-0, McKinney 4-4-1, Thibodeaux 4-4-0, Lawrence 4-2-0, J.Davis 3-2-0, Ward 2-0-0, Moreau 1-1-0, Ellis 1-0-0, Gates 1-0-0, Holmes 1-0-0, McCloud 1-0-0, L.Williams 0-2-0, R.Anderson 0-1-0, Ojulari 0-1-0, Pinnock 0-1-0. Philadelphia, Reddick 4-1-1.5, Slay 4-1-0, Epps 3-2-0, Gardner-Johnson 3-0-0, Blankenship 2-3-0, Cox 2-2-1, Edwards 2-2-0, Graham 2-0-1, Bradberry 2-0-0, Davis 2-0-0, Sweat 1-2-1.5, Hargrave 1-1-0, Jobe 1-0-0, Quinn 1-0-0, J.Scott 1-0-0, White 1-0-0, Joseph 0-1-0.

Jon Rahm won The American Express on Sunday. He also won the PGA Tour's season-opening Tournament of Champions earlier this month. **KATELYN MULCAHY/GETTY**

GOLF

Rahm claims 2nd title of '23

Associated Press

Jon Rahm took advantage of mistakes by rookie Davis Thompson over the adventuresome final three holes and closed with a 4-under 68 on PGA West's Stadium Course to win The American Express by one stroke Sunday in La Quinta, California, his second PGA Tour win in as many starts this year.

The Spanish star pumped his right fist and flashed a look of relief after tapping in for a two-putt par on No. 18.

They were tied with three holes to play when Thompson, who led through 36 holes and shared the lead with Rahm going into Sunday, pulled his drive into a deep fairway bunker on the par-5 16th and wound up with par. Rahm made birdie to take the lead.

On the par-3 17th, Thompson chose to leave the pin in for his 50-foot birdie putt on the island green, and the ball squarely hit the pin and rolled away. The 23-year-old from Georgia dropped his putter and put his hands to his face. As he walked to the 18th tee after tapping in for par, he pulled his shirt up over his mouth in frustration.

Rahm hit his tee shot into the bunker on 18 but recovered nicely with a shot to 15 feet and pumped his fist. Thompson's drive found the fairway but his approach bounced on the green and ran down the slope behind it. The rookie hit a bold flop shop that settled a foot to the right of the hole. He shot 69.

Rahm had two putts to finish at 17-under 261 and win for the ninth time on the PGA Tour. He moves up one spot to No. 3 in the world. He's playing next week at Torrey Pines, while world No. 1 Rory McIlroy makes his 2023 debut in Dubai on the European tour.

Rahm now has won four of his last six starts — he won the Tournament of Champions in Hawaii to start the year, and he won twice on the European tour at end of last year. This was his seventh straight top 10 worldwide, a streak that began after the Tour Championship in late August.

Henderson takes LPGA opener: Brooke Henderson sets a goal of winning multiple LPGA Tour titles at the outset of each season. She didn't wait long to collect her first trophy of 2023.

Henderson was dominant throughout and delivered a 2-under 70 at Lake Nona in Orlando, Florida, to complete a wire-to-wire victory in the season-opening Tournament of Champions.

In windy and sometimes difficult conditions, the 25-year-old Canadian played steadily, making sure not to give much hope to a group behind her trying to mount any sort of challenge. She began her day leading by three and eventually won by four, finishing the event at 16-under 272. It was her 13th LPGA victory.

Henderson has had her eye on a Tournament of Champions title for a while. She hadn't finished outside of ninth in the event the last four seasons, and she was a runner-up a year ago. Sunday marked her 16th straight round under par dating to 2022, and her 16th consecutive score under par in this tournament.

Second-year LPGA pro Maja Stark of Sweden and England's Charlie Hull tied for second. Both shot 69.

IN BRIEF

Mahomes expects to play in AFC title game

News services

Patrick Mahomes sustained a right high ankle sprain in the Chiefs' divisional playoff win over the Jaguars, The Associated Press reported Sunday, though the All-Pro quarterback expects to play against the Bengals in next week's AFC championship game.

Mahomes was hurt late in the first quarter Saturday when a Jaguars defender landed on him. X-rays taken during the game came back negative, and Mahomes returned after halftime to lead the Chiefs to the 27-20 victory.

The 27-year-old quarterback underwent an MRI exam Sunday to better determine the extent of the injury. The tests showed no structural damage.

Mahomes said Saturday night that his ankle already felt "better than I thought it would feel now."

Still, high ankle sprains are notoriously difficult to overcome. Chiefs running back Clyde Edwards-Helaire sustained one in late November, and only last week did he finally return to practice.

NBA: Magic F Jonathan Isaac is set to make his return from a severe left knee injury that has sidelined him since Aug. 2, 2020. ESPN confirmed that Isaac, 25, is expected to be available for Monday's game against the Celtics.

Skiing: Mikaela Shiffrin finished seventh in a super-G race in Cortina, d'Ampezzo, Italy, leaving her still tied with former U.S. teammate Lindsey Vonn for the most women's World Cup wins (82). Shiffrin, 27, will next get a chance to claim the record for herself Tuesday.

Women's basketball: All-American senior F Aliyah Boston collected her team-record-setting 73rd double double with 13 points and 14 rebounds as No. 1 South Carolina moved to 20-0 with a dominating 92-46 victory over Arkansas on Sunday. The Gamecocks (8-0 SEC) have won 26 games in a row. Boston moved past Sheila Foster, who had double figure points and rebounds in 72 games from 1979-1982.

NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

Canucks fire Boudreau, hire Tocchet

Bruce Boudreau has been fired as coach of the Canucks, who are again on track to miss the playoffs with another underachieving season. The team announced the change Sunday, less than a week since president of hockey operations Jim Rutherford said "major surgery" was needed to fix the Canucks, who have only made the playoffs once in the last eight years. Rick Tocchet was hired as Boudreau's replacement for a Canucks team that has lost 28 of 46 games this season. "This was not an easy decision to make but one that we felt was necessary," GM Patrik Allvin said in a statement. Boudreau waved to the crowd after the Canucks' latest defeat Saturday night, their third in the last four games. Chants of "Bruce, there it is!" to the tune of Tag Team's "Whoomp! (There It Is)" echoed around the arena as a tribute to the well-respected 68-year-old hockey lifer who ranks among the top regular-season coaches in NHL history. He's the second coach the Canucks have fired in under 14 months. Boudreau took over in December 2021 when previous coach Travis Green and GM Jim Benning were let go 25 games into last season. Tocchet, 58, previously coached the Lightning for parts of two seasons from 2008-10 and the Coyotes for four years from 2017-21.

Hamlin attends Bills-Bengals game

Bills safety Damar Hamlin made his first public appearance since going into cardiac arrest after making a tackle against the Bengals three weeks ago, waving to fans from a stadium suite Sunday as the two teams met again for an AFC divisional playoff game. The crowd at Highmark Stadium in Orchard Park, New York, erupted when an image of the recovering Hamlin filled the massive screens at the end zones near the end of the game's first half. Hamlin, wearing a hooded jacket, stood in front of the windows and raised his arms as if saluting the crowd and encouraging it to get on its feet as the Bengals were facing second-and-goal at their 5. He ended by forming a heart sign with his hands. Earlier Sunday, the Bills posted a video to both Instagram and Twitter showing Hamlin arriving at the team's locker room and the message "Welcome home, Damar." Hamlin, 24, hadn't been seen in public since the Bills and Bengals last met Jan. 2 in a game that came to an abrupt halt and was eventually canceled after Hamlin's collapse on the field in the first quarter.

Temple upsets top-ranked Houston

Damian Dunn scored 16 points and made the go-ahead free throw, Kur Jongkuch blocked Houston's go-ahead attempt in the final seconds and Temple held on and defeated the top-ranked Cougars 56-55 on Sunday in Houston. Temple improved to 3-18 against No. 1 ranked teams. The Owls (12-9, 6-2 American Athletic Conference) earned their first win over a No. 1 ranked team since a 77-69 win at No. 1 Cincinnati on Feb. 20, 2000. Tied at 55, Dunn made a free throw with 1:06 left to give Temple a one-point lead. Jamal Shead missed a 3-pointer and Nick Jourdain grabbed the rebound. Dunn missed a layup with 8 seconds left, and Jongkuch grabbed the rebound, but the Owls were whistled for a shot clock violation upon review. Trailing by one, Shead drove to the basket but Jongkuch blocked it out of the bounds with 1.3 seconds left. Tramon Mark's tip-in attempt fell short at the buzzer to give the Owls the win. Zach Hicks added 12 points for Temple, which snapped a six-game losing streak to Houston. The Owls shot 31% but were 20 of 22 from the free throw line. Shead scored 13 points, and Marcus Sasser added 12 points for Houston (18-2, 6-1), which saw its nine-game winning streak snapped. *—Associated Press*

Jessica Pegula celebrates after beating Barbora Krejcikova on Sunday to advance to the quarterfinals of the Australian Open. QUINN ROONEY/GETTY

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Pegula primed for next step

At 28, American at her 'best,' seeks 1st Slam semifinal berth

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — At the draw ceremony for the season-ending WTA Finals in October, the emcee called Jessica Pegula to the front of the room and asked the 28-year-old American about her championship at an event in Mexico a handful of days earlier.

He called it the "biggest title" of her career. Pegula politely corrected him: "Biggest title so far," she said, emphasizing those last two words.

Pegula chuckled when asked about that exchange during an interview with The Associated Press.

"I didn't mean to say that, but that's good that I said that," she said. "So far, that IS my biggest title, so that's factual and true — but also, hopefully, definitely not the last."

Pegula's had a winding journey in professional tennis and, at the Australian Open, she's hoping to add by far her most significant trophy yet. When she steps on court to face 2012 and 2013 champion Victoria Azarenka on Tuesday, Pegula will be appearing in the quarterfinals for the third year in a row at Melbourne Park — and for the fifth time overall at a major, all in the last 24 months.

The No. 3 Pegula is the highest-seeded woman remaining, with No. 1 Iga Swiatek and No. 2 Ons Jabeur eliminated.

"I have a great shot here. ... All around, throughout the tournament, I've been playing the best I have," she said Sunday after beating 2021 French Open champ Barbora Krejcikova 7-5, 6-2 in the fourth round.

Pegula relies on terrific returning (she's won a tournament-high 64% of games served by opponents) and strong defense. She uses a flat forehand and backhand slice (she's won 61% of points played at the baseline, second-best so far).

"She plays quite simple, which is, I would say, a compliment," Azarenka said, likening that aspect of Pegula's approach to former No. 1 Ash Barty, who "just did certain things so well, over and over and over again."

Pegula is 0-4 so far in Slam quarterfinals, with losses to Jennifer Brady at the 2021 Australian Open, Barty at the 2022 Australian Open, and Swiatek at the 2022 French Open and 2022 U.S. Open.

"I guess ... seeding-wise, I'm the favorite," Pegula said. "I would say it feels different."

And it's a long way from her trying times over the last decade. There was a 2013 knee problem that required surgery, but she worked her way back from that and earned a Grand Slam main-draw debut at the 2015 U.S. Open by beating 2009 U.S. Open quarterfinalist Melanie Oudin in the last round of qualifying.

Then came another health setback: A hip operation that kept Pegula out of action for more than half of 2017, dropping her ranking to No. 860 and sending her to lower-level ITF events.

Again, she regrouped and returned, claiming her first WTA title at Washington in 2019. That came shortly after beginning to work with Venus Williams' former coach, David Witt, who has pointed to the way Pegula "started believing in herself more that she belongs up there."

In Grand Slam action, Pegula went through a seven-match losing streak that ended with a third-round showing at the 2020 U.S. Open, and she delivered her initial major quarterfinal five months later in Australia.

More steps have followed — she called them "mini-breakthroughs" — including cracking the top 10 last year.

"I was like, 'Wow, I broke through there,' because I didn't have a great Slam record. Then after that, it was ... winning my first WTA event. That was a big one," Pegula said. "So there's all these little ... milestones, I guess you could call them. It just kept building my confidence as I went along. I wouldn't say there was like a huge turning point."

Another could come this week: The Pegula-Azarenka winner will face whoever emerges from Tuesday's quarterfinal between 2022 Wimbledon champion Elena Rybakina and 2017 French Open champion Jelena Ostapenko.

The fourth-round matches on the bottom half of the draw were scheduled for Monday: Aryna Sabalenka vs. Belinda Bencic, Donna Vekic vs. Linda Fruhvirtova, Caroline Garcia vs. Magda Linette, and Karolina Pliskova vs. Zhang Shuai.

Pegula's own calendar included two sporting events Monday. At 7 a.m. local time (3 p.m. Sunday EST), the NFL team that's owned by her parents, the Bills, hosted the Bengals in the playoffs — and Pegula had planned to wake up early so she could watch.

She caught part of the Bills' AFC wild-card win over the Dolphins before playing her first-round match in Melbourne, and has been wearing a patch on her skirt with the No. 3 jersey number of Bills safety Damar Hamlin, who went into cardiac arrest during a game against the Bengals three weeks ago and was in attendance for Sunday's rematch.

Then, at 2:30 p.m. local time (10:30 p.m. Sunday EST), Pegula and Coco Gauff were scheduled to play together in the third round of women's doubles against Aldila Sutjiadi and Miyu Kato.

"I hope," Gauff, who fell to Ostapenko on Sunday, said about Pegula's singles title ambitions, "she wins it."

NFL PLAYOFFS

Now healthy, Eagles' Hurts in top form

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — All it took was one throw. Jalen Hurts let it fly on his first pass attempt of the game and suddenly the unease that crept into that often worrisome Philly sports psyche — yeah, but how is his banged-up right shoulder, really? — seemed to dissipate.

Hurts' shoulder was fine. No doubt about that.

With Hurts in complete control, the Eagles once again look like the team that was rarely challenged during an NFL-best 13-1 start.

Hurts threw two touchdown passes and ran for a score during a dominant first half, and the Eagles overwhelmed the Giants 38-7 on Saturday night in an NFC divisional playoff game.

"To have him out there, I know this is high praise, it's like having Michael Jordan out there," coach Nick Sirianni said. "He's your leader ... your guy. That's the biggest respect I can pay to him."

The top-seeded Eagles will host the NFC championship game next weekend against the 49ers, who reached their second straight conference title game with a 19-12 win over the Cowboys on Sunday.

Hurts missed two late-season losses with a sprained right shoulder and then showed the Giants nothing in the regular-season finale when the Eagles ran a vanilla offense designed to protect the Pro Bowl QB.

Under bright postseason lights at the Linc, the Eagles unleashed an offense designed to clobber the Giants. Hurts dazzled early with his arm and the offensive line opened big holes for Miles Sanders and Kenneth Gainwell as the Eagles finished with 268 yards on the ground. Hurts finished 16 of 24 for 154 yards.

"Seemed like the old Jalen to me," Sanders said.

Hurts showed he was fine when he aired out a pass on the second play of the game and hit DeVonta Smith in stride for a 40-yard reception. The fun was just starting in Philly.

Hurts was flawless on the drive, completing passes of 9 yards, 5 yards, and then — boom — a 16-yard TD pass on a one-handed grab by tight end Dallas Goedert.

Second drive, more of the same. Hurts had completions of 12 yards and 9 yards en route to a 9-yard TD pass to Smith.

It was 14-0 in the first quarter and the Giants already needed a standing eight count. They turned the ball over on downs on their first possession, and Daniel Jones was intercepted by James Bradberry on their second.

The Linc was bonkers with full-throated chants of "E-A-G-L-E-S!" filling the air and Sirianni went wild chest-bumping assistants on the sideline.

Hurts' shoulder may not have been 100%. But his passing was: He went 7 of 7 for 89 yards in the first quarter.

"This guy leads, he brings this calmness to the entire team," Sirianni said. "He's as tough as they come. To me, there's not anybody that's played better football than him this year."

Even when the calls were obvious for the Eagles, the Giants were helpless to stop them. Case in point: The Eagles had the ball on the Giants 3. Give the ball to Boston Scott? Yes they did. Scott scored his 11th touchdown against the Giants for a 21-0 lead. He has only 19 TDs in his career. Giants defensive coordinator Wink Martindale riled up Eagles fans this week when he insisted Scott wasn't a "Giant killer."

Hard to argue against that point now.

Hurts wrapped the half with a 5-yard touchdown run — he bobbled the shotgun snap but still coasted untouched into the end zone — for a 28-0 lead. There have been only four more lopsided first-half playoff shutouts in NFL history.

"I'm so proud of this team. I'm so proud of these fans. It's a Philly thing, you know? It's special," Hurts said.